



Show Me Tell Me Questions

You will be asked two of these questions in your driving test. If you get either question wrong you will get a minor error.

Show Me means demonstrate your answer, Tell Me means explain your answer

Q1. Open the bonnet, identify where you would check the engine oil level and tell me how you would check that the engine has sufficient oil.

Identify dipstick. To check level, take dipstick out, wipe clean, reinsert and take out to check the oil level against the minimum / maximum markers.

Q2. Open the bonnet, identify where you would check the engine coolant level and tell me how you would check that the engine has the correct level.

Point out coolant tank. Identify max / min level markings on tank.

Q3. Open the bonnet, identify where the windscreen washer reservoir is and tell me how you would check the windscreen washer level.

Identify reservoir and check level by describing how you would lift the cap and look inside.

Q4. Open the bonnet, identify where the brake fluid reservoir is and tell me how you would check that you have a safe level of hydraulic brake fluid.

Identify reservoir, check level against max / min markings.

Q5. Show me how you would check that the brake lights are working on this car.

Operate brake pedal with ignition on, ask someone to help, they can stand behind the car whilst the brake is pressed.



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Q6. Tell me how you would check that the brakes are working before starting a journey.

Drive away slowly then press brake gently. Brakes should not feel spongy or slack. Vehicle should not pull to one side.

Q7. Tell me where you would find the information for the recommended tyre pressures for this car and how tyre pressures should be checked.

Tyre pressure levels are the in manufacturers' manual, use a reliable pressure gauge, check tyre pressures when they are cold, don't forget the spare tyre and remember to refit dust caps.

Q8. Tell me how you would check the tyres to ensure that they have sufficient tread depth and their general condition is safe to use on the road.

You must have a minimum of 1.6mm of tread depth across the central 3/4 of the width of the tyre and around the entire circumference. No cuts or bulges on the tyres.

Q9. Show me / explain how you would check that the power assisted steering is working before starting a journey.

When the engine is off, the steering wheel is heavy and hard to turn. When the engine is turned on, the steering becomes light and easy to turn if it is working properly.

Q10. Tell me how you would check that the headlights and tail lights are working.

Operate switch for lights, walk round the vehicle, check front and back lights are working.

Q11. Show me how you would check that the direction indicators are working.

Apply hazard warning lights and check all indicators by walking around the car.



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Q12. Show me how you would check that the horn is working (off road only).

Operate horn by pushing button firmly.

Q13. Show me how you would check the parking brake for excessive wear.

Press the foot brake before taking off handbrake. Apply the handbrake till you feel resistance and it can't be pulled up further.

Q14. Show me how to clean the front windscreen using the washers and wipers.

Operate control to wash and wipe window. (Turn on ignition if necessary)

Q15. Tell me how you would know if there was a problem with your anti-lock brakes system (ABS).

A warning light would illuminate if there was a fault with the system.

Q16. Show me how you would switch your lights from dipped to main beam and explain how you would know main beam is on whilst in the car.

Turn on headlights (with ignition if necessary) operate control to switch to main. Explain you can check blue warning light when main beams are on.

Q17. Show me how to operate fog lights and explain when to use them.

Turn on headlights (with ignition if necessary). Operate control for fog light. Explain you can check the fogs are on when warning light is on. The fogs are only to be used when visibility is less than 100m.

Q18. Explain how to make sure your head restraint is correctly adjusted to provide the best protection in the event of a crash.

Make sure the top of the headrest is at least as high as the top of the ears and is as close to the head as is comfortable. But be aware that some head restraints may not be adjustable.



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Q19. Show me how to set the controls to effectively demist the front and rear windscreen.

Set all relevant controls. These include temperature, air direction, fan speed, and heated rear windscreen. The engine does not have to be on for this.



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