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These questions are a key part of the UK driving practical test, aimed at assessing your basic vehicle knowledge and ensuring you can perform safety checks.Show Me Questions: In these questions, you must show how you would carry out a vehicle safety check. There are seven show me questions asked in the test.Tell Me Questions: For these questions, you must explain how you would carry out a vehicle safety check. There will be 14 questions in this section.Heres a list of the Show Me Tell Me Questions that were previously asked and are likely to be asked in the driving test.Show Me Questions and AnswersWhen its safe to do so, can you show me how you wash and clean the rear windscreen? Answer: Turn on the rear windscreen washer and the wiper. In some cars, the rear wiper comes on automatically. Check the controls for activating the rear windscreen washer and wiper. Be sure to always be in full control of the car.When its safe to do so, can you show me how you wash and clean the front windscreen?Answer: Turn on the front windscreen washer and the wiper. In most modern cars, the wipers will automatically activate to clean the windscreen. Use the controls and activate them to clean the windscreen. Turn on the ignition if required.How would you check the parking brake (handbrake) for excessive wear? Make sure you keep safe control of the vehicle.Answer: Apply the footbrake firmly and the parking brake or handbrake so that when it is fully applied, it secures itself.When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd switch on your dipped headlights?Answer: Ensure your lights are not set to full beam before switching them on. Operate the headlight control to the dipped headlight position. This control is usually found on a dial to the right of the steering wheel or on the left stalk. If the blue full-beam warning light is showing, revert to dipped beams quickly so you do not disturb other drivers coming toward you.When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd set the rear demister?Answer: Press the rear window demister button, typically located on the central console with a symbol representing a window with heating lines.When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd operate the horn?Answer: It is safe to use the horn briefly as a test. During emergencies, you might need to sound your horn without looking. Therefore, be sure to horn without taking a look. You may be penalised if you look for the horn during the test.When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd demist the front windscreen?Answer: Activate the front windscreen demister by pressing the button on the central console. Adjust the fan speed and temperature to ensure quick clearing of the windscreen.How would you set the demister controls to clear all the windows effectively?Answer: Set all relevant controls, including the fan, temperature, air direction/source, and heated screen, to clear the windscreen and windows. The engine does not need to be started for this demonstration.When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd open and close the side window?Answer: Before opening the window, make sure it is safe. Use the window control switch on the drivers door to open and close your side window.Tell Me Questions and AnswersTell me how you would check that the brakes are working before starting a journey. Answer: Before setting off, test the brakes lightly to ensure they dont feel spongy or slack. Explain that before switching on the ignition, press down on the brake pedal to check. Try out the brakes to check if the car stops quickly and does not pull to one side or the other.Tell me where you would find the information for the recommended tyre pressures for this car and how tyre pressures should be checked. Answer: Recommended tyre pressures can be found in the vehicles handbook or on a label inside the drivers door frame or fuel filter lid. Check tyre pressures using a pump with a gauge to increase or decrease pressure to the desired level. If your pump does not have its gauge, use one that stands alone and replace the valve caps.Tell me how you make sure your head restraint is correctly adjusted so it provides the best protection in the event of a crash. Answer: For adjustable head restraints, set it at least as high as the eye level or the top of your ears and as close to the back of the head as is comfortable.Tell me how youd check the tyres to ensure that they have sufficient tread depth and that their general condition is safe to use on the road.Answer: Check each tyre carefully for any cuts or bulges. Use a depth gauge to verify a minimum of 1.6 mm of tread depth across the central of the breadth and around the entire circumference.Tell me how youd check that the headlights and tail lights are working. You dont need to exit the vehicle. Answer: Turn on the ignition if necessary, using the switch, and explain that you would walk around the vehicle to check that all the lights are working.Tell me how youd know if there was a problem with your anti-lock braking system. Answer: Tell me how youd check the direction indicators are working. You dont need to exit the vehicle.Tell me how youd check the direction indicators are working. You dont need to exit the vehicle. Answer: Explain that you would turn on the hazard warning lights (or indicators) and walk around the vehicle to check that all indicator lights are working. You would follow the same with the left and right turn signals.Tell me how youd check the brake lights are working on this car. Answer: Explain that youd turn on the ignition and press the brake pedal. You would also check the reflection of the brake lights in windows or doors behind you or ask someone to help check that the brake lights are on.Tell me how youd check the power-assisted steering is working before starting a journey. Answer: If the steering feels heavy or a warning light is illuminated, the system may not be working properly. To check, apply gentle pressure on the steering wheel while starting the engine. If the system is working properly, there should be a slight movement. Alternatively, turning the steering wheel just after moving off will indicate if the power assistance is working.Tell me how youd switch on the rear fog lights and explain when youd use them. You dont need to exit the vehicle. Answer: Explain that youd operate the switch to turn on the rear fog lights. You would also start the engine and set the low-beam headlights if necessary. Check if the emergency warning lights are on. Explain that you would activate the rear fog lights when visibility drops below 100 metres to allow traffic to see you. You would then turn them off with improved visibility, as they might blind the cars behind and obscure your brake lights.Tell me how you switch your headlights from dipped to the main beam and explain how youd know the main beam is on. Answer: Operate the switch to change from dipped to the main beam after turning on the ignition if necessary. Once the main beams are on, check for the blue main beam warning light on the dashboard.Open the bonnet and tell me how youd check that the engine has sufficient oil. Answer: Explain to them that before checking the oil, the car must be on level ground and must be idle for a brief time to give the oil sufficient time to settle. Open the bonnet and use a strut to hold it open. Take out the dipstick, wipe it clean, reinsert it, and then remove it again to check the oil level. The markings indicate if more oil is required or if it is in excess.Open the bonnet and tell me how youd check that the engine has sufficient engine coolant. Answer: Open the bonnet and secure it with the strut. When the engine is cool, top up with water or properly diluted radiator coolant. Check the level against the header tank or on the radiator filler cap to find the correct level.Open the bonnet and tell me how youd check that you have a safe level of hydraulic brake fluid. Answer: Open the bonnet and secure it with the strut. Identify the brake fluid reservoir, which depends on the make of your vehicle. In most cases, it is a small plastic cylinder attached to the engine bulkhead, containing a fluid that is oil coloured. Check the fluid level by ensuring it is within the markings on the side of the translucent bottle.Mastering the Show Me, Tell Me Questions is a crucial part of your driving test preparation. By going through our blog and practising these questions, you will build your confidence to approach the exam as well as enhance your knowledge of routine vehicle maintenance, ensuring you drive safely. Familiarise yourself with the questions by visiting the website, and prepare effectively for your driving test. If you are a first-time driver preparing for your driving licence, start practising for your theory test with us. We provide practise tests, ensuring you are well-prepared for your DVSA theory test practise. Take our driving theory test practise test and start preparing for your exam day.We use some essential cookies to make this website work.Wed like to set additional cookies to understand how you use GOV.UK, remember your settings and improve government services.We also use cookies set by other sites to help us deliver content from their services. You have accepted additional cookies. You can change your cookie settings at any time. You have rejected additional cookies. You can change your cookie settings at any time. When youre preparing for your UK driving test, one important aspect is understanding the Show Me, Tell Me questions that the examiner will ask you. These questions are designed to ensure you understand basic vehicle safety and operation before hitting the road.What Are Show Me, Tell Me Questions?During your driving test, the examiner will ask you two vehicle safety questions. These questions are split into two categories: Show Me and Tell Me.Tell Me Questions: These are asked at the start of your test, before you begin driving. You will be asked to explain how you would carry out a particular safety check on your vehicle.Show Me Questions: These are asked while you are driving. The examiner will ask you to physically demonstrate how to perform a basic vehicle function, such as cleaning the windscreen or checking the lights..The examiner will ask you one:tell me question (where you explain how youd carry out a safety task) at the start of your test, before you start drivingshow me question (where you show how youd carry out a safety task) while youre drivingYoull get one driving fault (sometimes called a minor) if you get one or both questions wrong.Youll fail your driving test if your driving is dangerous or potentially dangerous while you answer the show me question.What Show Me, Tell Me Questions Can I Expect?Below are examples of common questions you might face during your test:Tell Me Questions1.Tell me how youd check that the brakes are working before starting a journey.Brakes should not feel spongy or slack. Brakes should be tested as you set off. Vehicle should not pull to one side. Manufacturers guide, use a reliable pressure gauge, check and adjust pressures when tyres are cold, dont forget spare tyre, remember to refit valve caps. The head restraint should be adjusted so the rigid part of the head restraint is at least as high as the eye or top of the ears, and as close to the back of the head as is comfortable. Note: Some restraints might not be adjustable.4.Tell me how youd check the tyres to ensure that they have sufficient tread depth and that their general condition is safe to use on the road.No cuts and bulges, 1.6mm of tread depth across the central three-quarters of the breadth of the tyre, and around the entire outer circumference of the tyre. Explain youd operate the switch (turn on ignition if necessary), then walk round vehicle (as this is a tell me question, you dont need to physically check the lights).6.Tell me how youd know if there was a problem with your anti-lock braking system.Warning light should illuminate if there is a fault with the anti-lock braking system.7.Tell me how youd check the direction indicators are working. You dont need to exit the vehicle.Explain youd operate the switch (turn on ignition if necessary), and then walk round vehicle (as this is a tell me question, you dont need to physically check the lights).8.Tell me how youd check the brake lights are working on this car.Explain youd operate the brake pedal, make use of reflections in windows or doors, or ask someone to help.9.Tell me how youd check the power-assisted steering is working before starting a journey.If the steering becomes heavy, the system may not be working properly. Before starting a journey, 2 simple checks can be made.Gentle pressure on the steering wheel, maintained while the engine is started, should result in a slight but noticeable movement as the system begins to operate. Alternatively turning the steering wheel just after moving off will give an immediate indication that the power assistance is functioning.10.Tell me how youd switch on the rear fog light(s) and explain when youd use it/them. You dont need to exit the vehicle.Operate switch (turn on dipped headlights and ignition if necessary). Check warning light is on. Explain use.11.Tell me how you switch your headlight from dipped to main beam and explain how youd know the main beam is on.Operate switch (with ignition or engine on if necessary), check with main beam warning light.12.Open the bonnet and tell me how youd check that the engine has sufficient oil.Identify dipstick/oil level indicator, describe check of oil level against the minimum and maximum markers.13.Open the bonnet and tell me how youd check that the engine has sufficient engine coolant.Identify high and low level markings on header tank where fitted or radiator filler cap, and describe how to top up to correct level.14.Open the bonnet and tell me how youd check that you have a safe level of hydraulic brake fluid.Identify reservoir, check level against high and low markings.Note that you need to open the bonnet and tell the examiner how youd do the check if youre asked question 12, 13 or 14.Show Me QuestionsWhen its safe to do so, can you show me how you wash and clean the rear windscreen?When its safe to do so, can you show me how you wash and clean the front windscreen?When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd switch on your dipped headlights?When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd set the rear demister?When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd operate the horn?When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd demist the front windscreen?When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd open and close the side window?Why Are These Questions Important?These questions ensure that you understand the fundamental safety features of your vehicle and can operate it confidently. Knowing the answers will help you feel more at ease during the test, and give you one less thing to worry about. Remember, these are not trick questions they are simply there to assess your basic knowledge and confidence in operating the car safely.Preparing for Your Driving TestOne of the best ways to prepare for your driving test is to practice these questions with your driving instructor. Familiarizing yourself with the answers will build your confidence and improve your chances of success.If youre ready to take the next step in your driving journey, make sure youre well-prepared for these essential questions. They are an integral part of the UK driving test, and knowing what to expect can make a world of difference. Looking for more info?: Youll drive for around 40 minutes (or 70 minutes if youre taking an extended driving testbecause youve been banned from driving). The test is the same for both manual and automatic cars. There are 5 parts to the driving test. Youll have to read a number plate before you start driving. Youll fail your driving test if you fail the eyesight check, and the test will end. Youll be asked 2 vehicle safety questions, known as the show me, tell me questions. The examiner will ask you one: tell me question (where you explain how youd carry out a safety task) at the start of your test, before you start driving show me question (where you show how youd carry out a safety task) while youre driving Youll get one driving fault (sometimes called a minor) if you get one or both questions wrong. Practise the show me, tell me questions. Youll drive in various road and traffic conditions, but not on motorways. The examiner will give you directions that you should follow. Driving test routes are not published, so you cannot check them before your test. Youll be asked to pull over and pull away during your test, including: normal stops at the side of the road pulling out from behind a parked vehicle a hill start You might also be asked to carry out an emergency stop. The examiner will ask you to do one of these 3 exercises: parallel park at the side of the road park in a parking bay either by driving in and reversing out, or reversing in and driving out (the examiner will tell you which you have to do) pull up on the right-hand side of the road, reverse for around 2 car lengths, and rejoin the traffic Youll have to drive for about 20 minutes by following either: directions from a sat nav traffic signs The examiner will tell you which you have to follow. Read more detailed guidance about what happens. This video shows what happens during the driving test. Read a transcript of this video. You can carry on if you make a mistake. It might not affectyour testif its not serious. Your driving examiner will only stop your test if they think your driving is a danger to other road users. Your driving examiner will make notes throughout your test, including marking that youve done certain parts of the test. So if you see the examiner making notes, do not assume its because youve made a mistake. Stay focused on driving to the best of your ability. Only take your driving test if youre feeling completely prepared. You can move your driving test back if youre not feeling quite ready yet. Its free to change your appointment time, as long as you do it at least 10 full working days (Mondays to Saturdays) before your test. Share copy and redistribute the material in any medium or format for any purpose, even commercially. Adapt remix, transform, and build upon the material for any purpose, even commercially. The licensor cannot revoke these freedoms as long as you follow the license terms. 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From what I was told, you never let my daughter put her guard down. Good for you. I appreciate all the hard work and dedication youve given to my daughter. I will recommend Valley Driving School to as many people as I can. Again, Thank You to everyone. Who knowsmaybe my daughter will be back for other types of drivers training ie: motorcycle, standard, or even semi-trucks. Could happen. She loves to drive. Best regards" ~Cyndy "I just wanted to send along a Thank You to all of you at Valley Driving School. This has been a great experience for both my daughter and myself. The office staff have been wonderful and always willing and able to sort through scheduling that works for us. It can be a scary world out there driving our streets and now I know my daughter has been taught properly on how to handle those situations. Shes a confident relaxed driver and I am a confident relaxed passenger/parent." "We just wanted to tell you how impressed we were with the professional and thorough instruction our children received over the last several years. Both kids' instructors were always punctual, polite and patient, giving our kids the knowledge and confidence to drive well and safely. Both passed their 'N' test on the first try. All dealings with the office staff were pleasant as well. We would not hesitate to recommend Valley Driving to other parents looking for the right place for their children to learn to drive. Please pass our compliments and thanks to instructor! :) THANK YOU!!!" ~The Wilson Family "I want to thank my great instructor and helping me overcome my fear of driving. I have failed the test a couple of times before taking lessons with him and frankly, this is the best investment I have done lately. He helped me become a better driver, (I will always remember: mirror-signal-shoulder check), have confidence in myself and pass my test. Great job! Thank you!" ~Lavinia "Amazing staff!! I had 5 lessons with my Instructor and he was incredible, clear instructions and always updated on things I needed to do better right when they happened. It felt like he wanted me to succeed not only because its part of his job, but because he genuinely wanted me to. The cost of the lessons were minimal in comparison to everything I have learned and I passed my road test on my first attempt. Thanks again!" ~Robert "My instructor is kind and patient. She made me feel comfortable behind the wheel and shaped me into the N driver I am today. Everyone at Valley Driving School is really nice and welcoming. Also, the classroom is a good learning environment. I highly recommend this driving school. Everyone I know got lessons there. :)" ~Rachel The Instructor for the lessons put my child at ease, listened to her concerns and worked with her to make her experience positive. The driving reports sent after every lesson were constructive and helped identify areas to focus on in-between lessons. My child passed her road test with a perfect drive. I don't think it would have happened without Valley Driving School. ~ Susan I recently completed the GLP program at Valley Driving School and I couldn't be happier with my experience! My Instructor in the classroom made everything so clear and easy to understand. My on-road Instructor was incredibly patient and supportive throughout the lessons. Thanks to their excellent guidance I passed my N on the first try and feel confident driving on my own. I highly recommend Valley Driving School to anyone looking for a solid driving education! ~ Abigail We chose Valley Driving School for our son to gain confidence in his driving and experience on the road. His Instructor was very calm, relaxed, honest and knowledgeable. Our Instructor gave our son the skills he needed to pass his test on the first try. Communication between the Instructor was a 10/10 with upcoming appointments and or changes. ~ Cindy My Instructor is friendly, chill, educated and always has a smile.To be honest, she always brings positive vibes. She understands you well, points out your mistakes and explains how to improve. If you dont understand something she will draw diagrams to show you exactly how to get it right and at the end of each session she writes down points that you need to practice. She never rushes you. Thanks to her instructions I knew I was going to pass my road test by my last in-car lesson. I have no words to express my gratitude. I highly recommend Valley Driving School. ~ Ayesha Had a terrific experience with this school. My Instructor was both patient and informative, always ensuring and enforcing habits like shoulder checking and proper signaling. I'm certain I would not have passed my drivers test without her tutelage! ~ Andrew My Instructor from Valley Driving School is amazing! She's patient, clear with instructions, her positive attitude and encouragement made learning fun. She helped me go from feeling nervous behind the wheel to confident and ready for my tests.I passed my road test on the first try and couldn't have passed without her. ~ Carlene We have used Valley Driving School for 3 of our children and it has been a fantastic experience for all of them. Great communication, awesome Instructors and all three of my kids passed their first time. ~ Heather Practice for sure is always different from theory, however, I did find the classroom courses with my Instructors very helpful for situational/theoretical stuff that you could possibly encounter in actual driving. Thank you Instructors and all Valley Driving School Staff! ~Ali I recently completed the GLP program at Valley Driving School and I couldn't be happier with my experience! My Instructor in the classroom made everything so clear and easy to understand. Ihighly recommend Valley Driving School to anyone looking for a solid driving education! ~Abigail My Instructor was amazing, super encouraging and helpful! He made sure I was in the right head space entering my test and gave me very helpful advice that definitely helped me pass. The Agents were so helpful! They were very quick to respond, very kind and respectful!! They did an amazing job. ~ Cheyenne I had 3 Instructors, they're all fantastic. I appreciated all of their different styles and guidance on focusing on necessary maneuvers. I highly recommend all 3 of them. They were also very kind and patient with me, and helped me build my confidence ~ Kristine My daughter's Abbotsford Instructor was amazing. She said she felt so comfortable and safe with him and that he taught her so much right before taking her road test. I feel like he went over and above to really care about his client in the car and was so sweet and kind to her. I would highly recommend her Instructor to anyone whos about to take lessons. Thank you. I would highly recommend this driving school to anyone. Well worth the money. ~ N/A My Instructor was wonderful. She took her time guiding me through the process and her words stuck with me through my test. I couldn't have done it without all her help. I am grateful that she was my instructor. From the initial sign up phone call they were helpful and kind. I will definitely tell anyone who needs to get a license to go with Valley Driving School. ~ Lauren My Instructor was amazing, supportive and knowledgeable. I was very happy after I passed the test, but also sad, because I knew that our lessons with my Instructor ended. Lesson time was super informative and also comfortable. It felt like I spent time with very close friends. Thank you so much! ~ Svetlana I learned so much technical driving in just one session, my Instructor explained all the rules and thoroughly made sure I was on my way to being a successful driver. My Instructor is an excellent instructor and has taught many kids from my school. I passed my road test on my first try!! ~ Cole My Instructor was amazing! She was a calm presence behind a stressful and nerve-wracking road test. She took me around a route in the area of my road test while giving me tips on what to look out for such as school zones, constructions, narrowing roads and merging roads. She was friendly and very approachable. All in all, an amazing experience! I've always had great experience at Valley Driving School, from when I took my GLP and all the calls I made with questions. A very approachable team. Definitely recommended! ~ Leila I was extremely nervous about driving before starting my lessons with my Instructor. She quickly put me at ease through her professionalism and overall demeanour; She is a fantastic driving instructor. If someone is nervous about driving I would highly recommend my Instructor. She is very calming in her delivery whilst still enforcing safe driving habits at the same time. ~ Marisa Having 3 overall Instructors was great to receive things from different angles. All of them knew the expectations for driving and instructed well. The office staff was knowledgeable and ready to help with any questions I had. This was a very good program and I liked the self-initiation parts when booking lessons. This helps to conform my training to my schedule. ~ Evan My Instructor was amazing. She was super nice, supportive and helped me learn and practice safe driving. Valley Driving School greatly helped me instill confidence in my driving. I will be sure to refer anyone looking for driving schools to you! ~Kaleb Valley Driving School was so kind and explained things in a way that made it so easy to understand and remember!! They were all so amazing and Im sad I will not be seeing them again but excited for the adventure ahead! Thank you so much to my three Instructors. Anytime I had to call the office the people were so nice, making me feel cared for and less nervous to make the call. I really appreciate everything they did and want to say thank you for being so helpful, understanding and kind to me! Thank you so much Valley Driving School! I definitely dont regret using you guys to help me gain skills in driving and would use your school again. ~ Abby All of my Instructors provided me with different insights to help me improve my driving, both during the lessons and with helpful comments about what I need to improve in my own time; they helped me feel safe and confident in my driving! The confidence I built from my lessons is something I never would have built on my own, and the knowledge the instructors have of the road and their knack for teaching is really top notch! ~ Michelle The full program I purchased for my daughter thoroughly prepared her as a new driver. The number of lessons in the package was what she needed and her confidence grew after each lesson. I will be booking again in the new year to have my son go through the same experience. ~ Jane I truly cannot thank my Instructor and Valley Driving School enough for helping me pass my class 4 pre-trip and drivers test. I lacked confidence and was extremely nervous; my Instructor was amazing and walked me through all the steps and was very patient. I felt like not only did he want me to be successful in obtaining my class 4, he truly wanted me to understand the importance of the safety measure. He even helped me break some old bad driving habits. ~ Jolene The Instructor was very knowledgeable and easy to approach with any questions. My daughter has a lot of anxiety with new people and absolutely adored her Instructor. I couldnt ask for a better fit for her. Thank you for making my daughter feel so comfortable and happy. The office also went above and beyond to fit my daughter's personal needs. I am extremely happy with the service and care we received. Thank you for going beyond for our family. ~ Chase Contents1 Tell me questions2 Show me questionsDuring the driving test, your examiner will ask you to answer two show me tell me questions or as its more formally known, vehicle safety questions. Normally, these questions are asked at the very start of the practical and test your knowledge and understanding of routine vehicle maintenance and essential checks; checks which must be learnt and carried out regularly in order to keep your vehicle in a roadworthy state, ensuring your safety and the safety of any passengers you may be carrying.You will be asked one show me question and one tell me question:show me you will be required to carry out the requested check/action in response to the question asked by the examinertell me you will be required to explain how to carry out the vehicle safety check required by the examiner Tell me questionsTell me questions will test your knowledge of necessary safety and road-readiness checks and routine vehicle maintenance. The goal is to ensure that your vehicle is roadworthy and safe to drive.Note: These questions are asked before the actual driving test.1. Tell me how youd check that the brakes are working before starting a journey.Explain that before you switch on the ignition, press down on the brake pedal to check if they feel spongy or if they go down too far. Once you set off, find a quiet stretch of road to try out the brakes to check if the car stops quickly and doesnt pull to one side or the other.2. Tell me where youd find the information for the recommended tyre pressure for this car and how tyre pressure should be checked.This information is in the vehicle manual, or sometimes on a label inside the fuel filter lid or inside a front door frame. You would check each tyre, using a pump with a gauge, to add or reduce the pressure to the desired level. If your pump does not have its own gauge, you will need to use one that stands alone. Then you would replace the valve caps.3. Tell me how to make sure your head restraint is correctly adjusted so it provides the best protection in the event of a crash.For adjustable head restraints, set it at eye level or at the level of the top of your ears. That setting should put the restraint as close to the back of your head as is comfortable.Note: Some restraints might not be adjustable4. Tell me how youd check the tyres to ensure that they have sufficient tread depth and that their general condition is safe to use on the road.You would examine each tyre, on sides and on tread, looking for cuts and bulges. Using a depth gauge, you would verify a minimum of 1.6 mm of tread depth across the central of the breadth and around the entire circumference.5. Tell me how youd check the headlights and tail lights are working.Explain that you would flick the switch, turning on the ignition first if necessary. Then you would walk around the vehicle in order to inspect the lights.Note: Since this is a tell me question, there is no need to physically leave the vehicle and check the lights.6. Tell me how youd know if there was a problem with your anti-lock braking system.Explain that a warning light would show on the dashboard should the anti-lock braking system have a fault.7. Tell me how youd check the direction indicators are working.Explain that after turning on the ignition you would turn on the emergency warning lights. You would then walk around the car to verify the indicator bulbs are working. You would repeat this process with the left and right turn signals.Note: Since this is a tell me question, there is no need to physically leave the vehicle and check the lights.8. Tell me how youd check the brake lights are working on this car.Explain that youd first turn on the ignition and then press down on the brake pedal. If possible, you would check the reflection of the brake lights in windows or doors behind you, or have someone stand behind and check.9. Tell me how youd check if the power-assisted steering is working before starting a journey.Explain that if a warning light is illuminated or if the steering is heavy, there may be a problem. There are a couple of other ways to check.While starting the ignition, keep a gentle pressure on the steering wheel. If the system is working correctly, there should be a slight but noticeable movement.You can also turn the steering wheel just after moving off. If there is resistance to the turn, there is a problem.10. Tell me how youd switch on the rear fog light(s) and explain when youd use them. You dont need to exit the vehicle.Explain that you would operate the fog light switch. If necessary you would start the engine and set the low beam headlights first. You would check that the emergency warning lights are on. Explain that you would activate the rear fog lights when visibility drops below 100 metres (about 325 feet), to allow traffic to see you better. You would turn them off with improved visibility, as they might otherwise blind the cars behind and obscure your brake lights.11. Tell me how you switch your headlights from dipped to main beam and how youd know the main beam is on.Explain that you would operate the switch, after turning on the ignition if necessary. Once the main beams are on, the blue full-beam warning light will appear on the dashboard.12. Open the bonnet and tell how youd check that the engine has sufficient oil.Explain that prior to carrying out the check, the car needs to be on level ground and the car needs to be idle for a short period of time in order to give the oil sufficient time to settle. You would then open the bonnet and use a strut to hold it open. Take out the dipstick and wipe it clean with a cloth. Reinsert it and remove it again. The markings on the dipstick tell you if more oil is needed or if there is too much. This procedure should be carried out with gloves on, if possible. Otherwise, wash your hands after, to avoid making controls in the car oily.13. Open the bonnet and tell me how youd check that the engine has sufficient engine coolant.Explain that you would open and secure the bonnet with the strut. When the engine is cool, top up with water or properly diluted radiator coolant. You will find the correct level by markings on the header tank or on the radiator filler cap.14. Open the bonnet and tell me how youd check that you have a safe level of hydraulic brake fluid.Explain that you would open and secure the bonnet with the strut. You will then need to identify the brake fluid reservoir, the location of which depends on the make of your vehicle. In most cases, it is a small plastic cylinder attached to the engine bulkhead, containing a fluid that is oil-coloured. You would then check the fluid level by ensuring its within the markings on the side of the translucent bottle.Show me questionsShow me questions will examine your ability to carry out vehicle safety checks or actions. You will be called upon to demonstrate safe and legal use of vehicle controls such as lights, horn, demisters, and window winders. Practice these with your driving instructor so that you know where these are and can use them safely when driving.Note: These questions are asked during the driving test, whilst youre driving.1. When its safe to do so, can you show me how to wash and clean the rear windscreen?Prior to using the rear washer/wiper controls, ensure youre on a straight stretch of road and you can see clearly in front of you. Make sure there are no hazards in your vicinity. Turn the rear windscreen washer on and then turn on the wiper. (On some cars, the rear wiper comes on automatically.) If you have to look to see where the controls are, take a quick glance so that you dont take your eyes off the road for longer than necessary. Be sure to be in full control of the car at all times.2. When it is safe to do so, can you show me how you wash and clean the front windscreen?Before using the front washer/wiper controls, ensure youre on a straight road and you can see clearly in front of you. Make sure there are no potential hazardous situations developing. When youre ready, turn the front windscreen washer on, then the wiper. (On most modern cars, the front wipers come on automatically with the washer.) If you have to look to see where the controls are, take a quick glance so that you dont take your eyes off the road for longer than necessary. Be sure to be in full control of the car at all times.Note: when you spray washer fluid onto the windscreen shortly before sunset, glare may block your view until the screen is cleaned. If the windscreen is also very dirty, the spray may turn milky and temporarily block your view. These two situations call for extra caution.3. When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd switch on your dipped headlights?Before switching on your dipped headlights, ensure your lights arent set to full-beam before you switch them on. Like the previous scenario, make sure youre on a straight road on which you can clearly see ahead.Operate the headlight control and ensure the full-beam warning light is not illuminated on the dashboard by taking a quick look. If the blue full-beam warning light is showing, revert to dipped beams quickly so you dont dazzle other drivers coming towards you.Remember: You MUST NOT operate your lights in such a way which would dazzle other drivers coming towards you4. When it is safe to do so, can you show me how youd set the rear demister?Before using the rear window demister control, make every effort to be on a straight stretch of road. Ensure that you can see the road clearly and make sure there are no developing hazards up ahead. Once youre ready, operate the rear window demister control.5. When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd operate the horn?Providing it is safe and legal to do so, sound your horn. In an emergency situation, you might need to sound your horn without looking, so be sure you can do this blind before the test. If the examiner sees you looking for the horn when you are requested to use it, you may be penalised during the test.Note: This will be asked only if the examiner feels that sounding the horn at that particular time and location will not cause confusion for other drivers on the road.Remember: The horn is only to be used to alert others to your presence. You mustnt use it when stopped on the road unless you need to let another road user know where you are.6. When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd demist the front windscreen?Prior to using the front window demister/fan controls, make sure youre on a straight road with no developing hazards up ahead. Once youre ready, operate the front window demister control.7. When its safe to do so, can you show me how youd open and close the side window?Before opening and closing the side window, make sure that youre on a straight stretch of road, that you can see clearly ahead and that there are no developing hazards ahead of you. Open and close the window by using the control switch or the winder. Looking for the most up to date RSA Driving Test Questions? Youve found them! When you attend for your driving test, you will be asked to identify a selection of road signs and to answer a selection of questions on the Rules of the Road.To help with your preparation, Ladybird Driving Lessons Dublin has produced this helpful guide which includes some of the more popular questions and answers.Get Our Prices 01 485 1585We have also included some additional questions without answers to test your knowledge. If you dont know the answers, ask your Ladybird Driving Instructor to help!47 Driving Test QuestionsTo view the answers just simply click the questions below and then test your knowledge.If you have any questions regarding our driving test questions please dont hesitate to get in touch and we will help your as best we can.When can you overtake on the left?When you want to go straight ahead & the driver in front of you has moved out & signalled that they intend to turn right.When you have signalled that you intend to turn left.When traffic in both lanes is moving slowly & traffic in the left-hand lane is moving more quickly than the traffic in the right-hand lane.What is meant by a solid white line in the centre of the road?You must stay to the left & must not cross the line unless it is for access or in an emergency.What does a broken yellow line mean?The road contains a hard shoulder which is normally only for pedestrians & cyclists but may be used briefly to allow faster traffic to overtake if it safe to do so.What does double broken white lines along the centre of the road mean?These alert the driver to continuous white lines a short distance ahead. You must not cross them unless it is safe to do so.At a stop sign that has no white line, where should you stop?You must stop at the sign.Where there is a continuous & a broken white line along the centre of the road, which one do you obey?You must obey the line that is nearest you.Who has priority at a roundabout?You must give right of way to traffic already on a roundabout.When driving, when should you dip your headlights?When meeting other traffic.When following close behind another vehicle.On continuously lit roads.In snow, fog, dusk/dawn.Generally, to avoid inconveniencing other traffic.What should you do if you are dazzled by another vehicles headlights?Slow down & stop if necessary.Always watch for pedestrians or cyclists on the side of the road.If the dazzle is from an oncoming vehicle, avoid it by looking towards the left verge until the vehicle has passed.If the dazzle is from a vehicle behind you & reflected in your mirror, operate the night-driving mode on you mirror.What restrictions are there in relation to the use of the horn?Do not use a horn in a built-up area between 11.30pm & 7.00 am, unless there is a traffic emergency.Within what distance from the kerb should you park?Where should you not overtake?Near a bend, the brow of a hill, a hump back bridge, a continuous white line, where your vehicle would obstruct a sign, at an entrance, opposite another vehicle on a narrow road, a taxi rank.What is the sequence of traffic lights?What does a clearway mean?No parking during specified times or stopping unless you are waiting in a line of traffic.What rules apply to a box junction?You must not enter a yellow box junction unless you can clear it without stopping. An exception is when you want to turn right. You may enter while waiting for a gap in traffic coming from the opposite direction as long to do so would not block other traffic that has priority.What is the difference between a pelican crossing & a zebra crossing?A pelican crossing is controlled by lights. A zebra crossing has flashing orange beacons & is controlled by the presence of pedestrians.What does an island in the centre of a pedestrian crossing mean?Zebra crossings with a central island should be treated as two separate crossings. Pelican crossings that go straight across the road count as one crossing even if there is a central island.If Pelican crossings on either side of the central island are not in a straight line (staggered), they count as two separate crossings.What do the white zig-zag lines at a zebra crossing mean?No overtaking or parking.What is the speed limit on a) national roads (primary & secondary) & on b) motorways?What are the speed limits in built up areas?Usually 50km/h unless special speed limits apply to designated roads and zones. Special speed limits are generally 30km/h or 60km/h. What is the minimum tread depth on tyres?Most vehicles on the road must have a minimum tread depth of 1.6mm over their main treads.What are the rules regarding bus lanes?A with-flow bus lane runs in the same direction as the traffic beside it & can be used by bicyclists & taxis as well as buses & is reserved during the times shown on the information plate.A contra-flow bus lane is reserved only for buses, which means no other traffic may use it day or night.How far away should you park from a junction?What position would you take up for a right turn in a one-way street?When turning right from a one-way street, drive as close as you can to the right-hand side.What are hatched markings?Hatched markings are diagonal or chevron markings on the road that can be used for merging traffic, for diverging traffic & for separating traffic travelling in opposite directions (central median islands). If you see these markings on the road you must not enter the area they cover.What does a yield sign mean?If you see a Yield sign on the road, usually near a junction or roundabout, you must give way to traffic on a major road ahead or on the roundabout & you must not proceed unless it is safe to do so.An arrow light, green or amber, you may proceed in the direction of the arrow if it is safe to do so.You are approaching traffic lights & they change to amber, what action should you take?Stop unless it is unsafe to do so.What does a flashing amber traffic light mean?Proceed if the crossing is clear but pedestrians have priority.What do flashing red traffic lights mean?What does a continuous yellow line at the side of a road mean?No parking during certain hours.What do double continuous yellow lines at the side of the road mean?Give examples of where you would not parkNear a bend, the brow of a hill, a hump back bridge, opposite a single or continuous white line, where your vehicle would obstruct a sign, at an entrance, opposite another vehicle on a narrow road, a taxi rank, near a junction, at a bus stop, on a footpath.Within what distance from a pedestrian crossing, should you not park?15 metres before or 5 metres after.What procedure must you adopt if crossing a dual carriageway with a narrow central median?If the median is too narrow for your vehicle, you must wait until you can complete the crossing.What are the differences between a motorway and a dual carriageway?On motorways, exits to left only, no traffic lights, no junctions, no roundabouts, 120Kph speed limits may apply.Who has priority at a unmarked crossroads with roads of equal importance?Give priority to traffic on the junction & traffic approaching from your right.What are the road markings for no entry?A continuous & a broken white line with the words NO ENTRYWhat would you look out for on country roads?Pedestrians, animals, muddy surfaces, concealed entrances, slow moving farm machinery.When being overtaken, what must you not do?Where would you never make a U-turn?In a one-way street, where there is a continuous white line or lines, where a sign directs you not to.What is meant by tailgating?Driving too close to a vehicle in front, not keeping a safe distance.What human factors can affect your driving?Alcohol, drugs (prescription and non-prescription), tiredness & fatigue, road rage, attitude.What is coasting & why is it potentially dangerous?Coasting is when the vehicle is not being driven by the engine i.e. the clutch pedal is held down or the gear lever is in neutral. It is dangerous because it reduces the drivers control of the vehicle.Who is responsible for seat belts?For passengers under 17 years of age, the driver is responsibleFor passengers 17 years of age & over, the person themselves.When following the road ahead on a multi-lane dual carriageway, which lane would you normallyuse?You would normally use lane 1 or the left-hand driving lane, unless road markings indicate otherwise.What is the 2 second rule?Used as a measure of a safe following distance of at least 2 seconds in dry conditions, doubled in thewet and extended further in icy conditions. Test your Driving Test Questions Knowledge!Ask yourself the questions below and see if you can answer them:How would you test if your handbrake is working properly?How would you test if your brakes are working properly when stationary & when on the move?How would you test if your brake lights are working?How would you know if you had a problem with your steering?How would you check to ensure that your