

iCourse Theory

Study Unit 20

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When returning work for assessment, please ensure that each unit is kept together by stapling or other means and that you complete the information above. Also please ensure that any additional worksheets are clearly marked with your name.

Study Unit No. 20

This is a 'revision unit' with 50 questions.

Answer the questions in the normal way and revise any areas where improvement will be beneficial.

You will note that there is no 'extra reference' or foundation for this unit.

This pack contains:

- Study Instructions
- 1 x Question marking sheets
- Road sign marking/notes sheet
- 50 Multiple Choice Questions
- Blank training notes sheet
- Blank 'Questions to ask my Trainer' sheet

Start by completing the Road Sign Quiz

Study Unit No. 20 - Road sign quiz

Use the numbered spaces below to write out the meaning of each sign and any relevant answers to the road sign questions shown in Step 2 of this unit.

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Please read this carefully before starting ...

The questions in this pack are designed to help you to learn and test your knowledge; we strongly suggest that you follow the study instructions found in the Study Unit Starter as opposed to trying to learn the answers by rote. While learning by rote might help you to pass the first part of the exam it would prove to be detrimental in the later stages of your training and reduce your chances of an early examination pass.

Some of the questions in iCourse question papers may address topic areas not covered in DVSA Part-One. The questions cover a broad range of topics designed to give you a good base for your new career in driving instruction.

To the best of our knowledge, all the questions on this paper are correct and up-to-date.

In the unlikely event of you finding a question that is out of date, or misprinted, you can help other students by contacting us - the question will then be amended. (support@smartdriving.org)

Important note

Some of the questions in SmartDriving iCourse have more than one correct answer (multiple-response). We do not 'flag' questions which have more than one correct answer. The questions are designed in this way to 'make you think more' and thereby increase your depth of knowledge. The DVSA also have some questions which require more than one answer, however, DVSA papers will state clearly when more than one answer is required.

First pass through the questions

Check your answers and record the correct answers on your marking sheet before moving on to the second pass.

Second pass through the questions

Check your answers – if you have scored 46+ move on to the next unit. If you have scored between 38 & 44 – revise the incorrect answers before moving on. If your score is lower than 38, spend some time doing more research or ideally work through all the question papers again ensuring that you fully understand the answers.

Marking the questions

Use this marking sheet to record answers on your first pass through the questions.

Your first pass through these questions should be done before researching any of your study material – it is simply to check your pre-study knowledge level. Knowing the before and after will help with your motivation.

Allow a maximum of 50 minutes for this exercise under test conditions.

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Next – check your answers (link on the Unit 19 study page) and add the correct answer reference for incorrectly answered questions in the space provided above.

Complete your revision and until you **fully understand** the relevant material.

When you have completed your revision of all incorrectly answered questions and questions with a confidence score of 2 or lower, repeat the test marking your answers and confidence score on the test papers. You are aiming for a score of 46 or higher.

Note that there is no ‘Foundation’ for this unit.

Study Unit No. 20 - Questions

1. If a learner fails to respond to instruction. An instructor would be well advised to:

- a. suggest that the learner gives up driving
- b. persist with the instruction if it has worked for others
- c. try different methods of instruction
- d. be patient and tell the learner that he/she will need extra lessons

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

2. If the holder of a full driving licence becomes permanently disabled in the lower limbs and approaches a driving school for advice, the first priority of the instructor should be to:

- a. take the driver for a test drive to assess potential driving ability
- b. advise the driver to notify DVLA at Swansea of the disability
- c. give an assurance that he/she can continue to drive as normal, but might find adaptations useful
- d. give advice on where to get expert assessment

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

3. A disabled person, who is in receipt of a higher rate mobility component of DLA (Disability Living Allowance) or the enhanced rate mobility component of PIP (Personal Independence Payment) and who holds a Provisional Driving Licence can start to drive on public roads at the age of:

- a. 18 years
- b. 17 years
- c. 16 years
- d. 15 years

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

4. A temporary disability is one which is not expected to last more than:

- a. 1 month
- b. 3 months
- c. 6 months
- d. 12 months

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

5. Drivers taking antihistamines, as a treatment for hay fever should:

- a. not drive
- b. take medical advice before driving
- c. not drive in hot dry weather
- d. take a reduced dose when intending to drive

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

6. The statement of failure form issued to a test candidate has 'use of speed' marked. When explaining this fault, would you advise the candidate that he/she:

- a. crawled up to junctions too slowly
- b. had driven too fast for the prevailing conditions
- c. had held up the flow of traffic on a fast road
- d. should ignore it and apply for another test

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

7. On the way to a driving test appointment, the glass in the driver's offside exterior mirror is shattered by a lorry, which passes too close. Do you:

- a. stop and buy a replacement
- b. explain to the examiner the glass had broken on the way to the test
- c. advise the test candidate to look around more often than usual, during the test, to compensate for the extra blind spot
- d. advise the learner to adjust the interior mirror further over to the right to compensate

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

8. It is normal procedure, at the end of a driving test, for the examiner to briefly explain some relevant points about the test to the candidate. The examiner will do this:

- a. only if the candidate has passed
- b. only if the candidate has failed
- c. with all candidates
- d. only if the instructor requests it

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

9. When a driving test is cancelled by the DVSA, the candidate will be:

- a. given a refund
- b. allocated a new date by automatically by the DVSA
- c. given a new test the same week
- d. awarded a pass as compensation

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

10. A person who passes the DVSA driving test on a vehicle fitted with automatic transmission will:

- a. be allowed to drive a motor tricycle with an unladen weight of not more than 450 kg
- b. be allowed to drive vehicles with pre-selector gears
- c. only be allowed to drive vehicles with automatic transmission
- d. be allowed to drive cars with semi-automatic transmission

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

11. Motorways are equipped with emergency telephones. These are situated at intervals of:

- a. 500 metres
- b. 1 mile
- c. 1.5 miles
- d. 2 miles

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

12. When attending the driving test appointment, candidates who are unable to produce a provisional licence or other suitable proof of photographic identity, will:

- a. fail the test
- b. be unable to take the test but will be offered an alternative date
- c. be unable to take the test and will lose the fee
- d. will take the test but not be issued with a pass certificate until they produce their licence

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

13. Anti lock brakes activate when:

- a. it is raining
- b. the driver does not brake soon enough in an emergency
- c. the brake pedal is pressed very hard
- d. the car is going too fast

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

14. Driving tests are available in:

- a. English, Welsh and Gaelic
- b. Welsh or English only
- c. the languages of all Commonwealth countries
- d. any language if the candidate provides an interpreter

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

15. Rote learning is a method that is best suited for:

- a. remembering facts and figures
- b. solving complex problems
- c. driving theory test study
- d. learning car control skills

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

16. In driver training, the letters EDP normally stand for:

- a. Expect Driving Problems
- b. Explanation, Discovery, Practice
- c. Extra Driving Practise
- d. Explanation, Demonstration, Practise

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

17. Fog lights are fitted to most vehicles to make them conspicuous in poor weather conditions. If drivers use fog lights at other times they will:

- a. not be committing an offence
- b. be committing an offence
- c. help following drivers
- d. make the roads safer

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

18. Show me, tell me questions are designed to?

- a. test basic vehicle maintenance knowledge
- b. make the driving test difficult for women drivers
- c. catch out learners with trick questions
- d. give the examiner time to 'weigh up' the candidates before they start driving

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

19. At night on a motorway with streetlights, drivers must:

- a. use dipped headlights as a minimum
- b. use dim-dip headlights as a minimum
- c. never use front fog lights
- d. only use full beam

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

20. Poor vehicle maintenance can lead to danger; which of the following could put a driver in immediate risk of an accident:

- a. low coolant level
- b. low oil level
- c. low brake fluid level
- d. dilute antifreeze

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

21. Loads, which overhang the front or rear of a vehicle, are required to display projection markers. These are required when the load overhangs the vehicle by more than:

- a. .5 of a metre
- b. 1 metre
- c. 1.5 metres
- d. 2 metres

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

22. If you are annoyed by the actions of another driver you would be well advised to:

- a. let off steam and clear the air by shouting at the driver
- b. give an unauthorised hand signal
- c. pull over and take a short break
- d. try to show the other driver the error of his/her ways

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

23. The supervisor of any driver holding a provisional driving licence may, in the event of a contravention of the Road Traffic Act 1972 (and supporting regulations), be prosecuted for:

- a. aiding and abetting an offence
- b. driving without due care
- c. dangerous teaching
- d. contributory negligence

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

24. A driving licence is normally valid until the holder reaches the age of:

- a. 60 years
- b. 70 years
- c. 65 years
- d. 80 years

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

25. When driving at night you will need to dip your lights earlier for approaching traffic if you are going:

- a. around a right-hand bend
- b. around a left-hand bend
- c. uphill
- d. downhill

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

26. When instructing a learner driver, who is having problems steering in a straight line, you should correct the problem by saying:

- a. "Look ahead and don't weave about so much"
- b. "Drive in a straight line or you may hit another car"
- c. "Look well ahead and not at the front of the car"
- d. "Stop messing about with the steering wheel"

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

27. During a course of driving tuition, the level of instruction given to the learner should:

- a. increase as the course progresses
- b. decrease as the course progresses
- c. stay the same throughout the course
- d. greater as the learner nears test standard

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

28. The domain of learning that deals with the learning of physical skills is referred to as:

- a. affective
- b. cognitive
- c. psychomotor
- d. physiology

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

29. When driving instructors need to use the dual brake, they should explain why it was necessary to do so:

- a. as soon as possible, preferably without stopping to interrupt the lesson
- b. as soon as possible, preferably while the car is parked
- c. only if the learner noticed that it had been used
- d. before they use it

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

30. When teaching learner drivers to turn right from a major two-way road into a minor road, you should advise them that:

- a. they should position their vehicle in the middle of the road
- b. that they should always position just left of the centre line
- c. they should position well to the right of their own side of road
- d. they must always leave sufficient space for oncoming vehicles to pass

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

31. When teaching a new subject for the first time you should:
- always explain the subject in detail
 - only explain the subject in detail if you have enough time
 - find out whether your learner has any prior knowledge of the subject.
 - spend as long as possible asking questions

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

32. A course of driving lessons should be planned and should have specific objectives. The lesson objectives should be introduced to the learner:
- at the end of the lesson
 - at the start of the lesson
 - as each one is mastered
 - only at the start of a course

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

33. If an examiner marks the DL25 test form against ‘ancillary controls’, the test candidate has made an error with:
- the foot controls
 - the hand controls
 - signals
 - other controls (e.g., wipers, demisters, etc)

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

34. The instruction, which is normally used by driving instructors to teach learners to hold the accelerator pedal steady prior to moving off, is:
- “Set the power”
 - “Set the gas”
 - “Press the gas pedal”
 - “Throttle up”

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

35. Objectives for the development of a learner’s skill should usually be:
- general (non-specific)
 - related to road procedure
 - beyond the learner’s expected skill level for the lesson
 - appropriate to the learner’s expected skill level for the lesson

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

36. When taking a learner-centred (client-centred) approach to teaching you:

- a. work with the learner to determine the best outcome
- b. always do what the learner wants
- c. never offer your own opinion
- d. only use Q&A technique when teaching

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

37. The instruction, “Cover the brake”, is used when you want a learner to:

- a. prepare to release the handbrake
- b. prepare to slow down or stop
- c. perform an emergency stop
- d. release the gas pedal

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

38. A closed question is one which:

- a. would normally have a simple yes/no answer
- b. requires a detailed answer
- c. can have a variety of answers, all of which are correct
- d. only used at junctions

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

39. Detailed explanations are sometimes required to correct driving mistakes. These are best given:

- a. straight away, while the learner is still driving
- b. as soon as a convenient place can be found to stop
- c. as soon as the traffic situation is quiet and the driving is easier
- d. in a debrief at the end of the lesson

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

40. Wheel-spin when moving off on a very slippery surface such as snow or ice can be reduced by:

- a. using left foot braking
- b. using second gear
- c. revving the engine harder
- d. keeping the clutch pressed down

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

41. It is always illegal to park at night:

- a. with the engine running
- b. with the headlights switched on
- c. on an unlit road
- d. against the flow of traffic

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

42. ‘The Official DVSA Guide to Driving, the essential skills’ advises drivers that they should check tyre pressures

- a. before every long journey
- b. every day
- c. at least once a week
- d. when the tyres have warmed up

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

43. The Highway Code states that the Green Cross Code is intended for:

- a. children only
- b. children and the elderly
- c. all pedestrians
- d. vulnerable road users

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

44. When giving mouth to mouth resuscitation to a small child who has stopped breathing after an accident you should:

- a. use long very deep breaths
- b. breath more rapidly than normal
- c. breath gently
- d. avoid moving the head

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

45. ‘The Official DVSA Guide to Driving, the essential skills’ suggests that an alternative name is sometimes used for the term ‘defensive driving’. The alternative name is:

- a. avoidance driving
- b. performance driving
- c. planned driving
- d. safety driving

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

46. 'The Official DVSA Guide to Driving, the essential skills' recommends that drivers use the two second rule to check that they are maintaining a safe following distance. This rule may be applied:

- a. in good, dry, weather conditions
- b. in wet weather conditions
- c. in any weather conditions
- d. only in daylight

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

47. 'The Official DVSA Guide to Driving, the essential skills' gives advice, to newly qualified or inexperienced drivers about driving on motorways. It states that:

- a. they should seek advice from a professional instructor
- b. avoid driving on motorways whenever this is possible
- c. practice on urban dual carriageways before driving on motorways
- d. never drive on four lane motorways

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

48. 'The Official DVSA Guide to Driving, the essential skills' recommends that, when approaching another vehicle from behind at night, drivers should:

- a. flash their lights to warn the driver ahead of their presence
- b. dip the lights early, so that the beam does not dazzle the driver in front
- c. remain on full beam, but hold well back
- d. sound the horn briefly if they think the other driver is not aware of their presence

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

49. When driving through floodwater you should:

- a. use first gear and slip the clutch to keep the engine speed high but the speed low
- b. use first gear and drive as fast as the gear will allow
- c. use a high gear, taking a long run up to the water if possible
- d. reverse through if you are in a front wheel drive car

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

50. If you see a bus signalling an intention to move off you should:

- a. flash your lights to give way
- b. speed up to pass it quickly and safely
- c. hold back and allow the bus driver to decide whether to proceed
- d. hold back and use a right indicator signal

Confidence rating – 2nd Pass = 0 1 2 3 4

Notes and Reflective thoughts

Questions to ask my Trainer