

Judgement of speed and position answers

Some learners seem to drive too fast 'naturally'. Why might this be?

People develop attitudes and a 'feel' for driving unconsciously from an early age. A good safe speed in any given situation might feel too slow to them (or even too fast for some learners).

What is the main cause of positioning problems?

Incorrect observation, not looking far enough ahead to plan for position or fixing the gaze for too long in one place (staring at a parked car for example).

Give an example of a method you could use to help someone with a positioning problem.

*Follow an imaginary safety line.
Follow a moving vehicle.*

What are the dangers of 'weaving' in and out when negotiating a row of parked cars?

This could be confusing for following drivers or other road users who might think the car is pulling in, for example, if a driver in a parked car was about to open his door and thought the car behind was pulling in he could open it with disastrous consequences. Weaving also limits forward vision.