

Chapter 13

Multiple Choice

Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- _____ 1. Your vehicle is forced off the roadway into a deep lake. Although all the windows are rolled up, your vehicle sinks rapidly beneath the surface. What should you do after unfastening safety belts?
- Try to get a full breath of air, move quickly to the area closest to the surface. Open the window or door. Climb out, and swim to the surface.
 - Wait for the vehicle to right itself with wheels down. Use any tool to break a window, and swim to the surface.
 - As the vehicle begins to fill with water, move to the air space remaining. Wait for rescue from the outside.
 - Grasp a door handle firmly. Open the door quickly, and swim to the surface.
- _____ 2. Your vehicle stalls on railroad tracks. It will not restart, all passengers have left it, and no train is coming. What do you do next?
- Turn on emergency flashers.
 - Rock the vehicle.
 - Walk in the direction from which a train might approach.
 - Shift to NEUTRAL and push the vehicle off the tracks.
- _____ 3. A left front tire blows out. Unless you control the vehicle, what will probably happen?
- You will slide in a straight line.
 - Your vehicle will pull toward the shoulder.
 - Your vehicle will pull to the left.
 - Your vehicle will sway from left to right.
- _____ 4. When a front wheel drops off the roadway, you should avoid
- slowly getting off the roadway.
 - braking and returning suddenly to the roadway.
 - checking for traffic.
 - holding the steering wheel firmly.
- _____ 5. When you have a blowout, what should you do first?
- Grip the steering wheel firmly.
 - Apply hard pressure to the brake.
 - Quickly pull off the roadway.
 - Quickly remove your foot from the accelerator.
- _____ 6. You entered a curve too fast, have braked gently, and are now halfway through the curve. You should accelerate moderately to
- get out of the emergency quickly.
 - help reduce traction.
 - regain braking abilities.
 - help stabilize your vehicle.

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- _____ 7. Swerving should be a last-second emergency means of
- avoiding a collision.
 - keeping from going off the roadway.
 - reducing your vehicle's speed.
 - bringing your vehicle under control.
- _____ 8. You are driving in traffic. The engine of your automatic transmission vehicle stalls. You should
- shift to a lower gear and restart.
 - leave the selector in drive and restart.
 - shift to park and restart.
 - shift to NEUTRAL.
- _____ 9. If a collision is about to occur,
- brace yourself against the steering wheel.
 - push the brake pedal to the floor.
 - place your hands over your face.
 - keep control of your vehicle.
- _____ 10. The grade of a road refers to
- the quality of the pavement.
 - its slope.
 - its elevation above sea level.
 - the number of roadside hazards.
- _____ 11. Smoke is coming from your vehicle's engine compartment. You have stopped in a safe place. You should then
- get some water.
 - disconnect the battery to prevent an explosion.
 - turn off the ignition.
 - open the hood.
- _____ 12. As you press on the brake pedal, it goes all the way to the floor. What should you do first?
- Turn off the ignition.
 - Shift to a lower gear.
 - Apply the parking brake.
 - Pump the brake pedal three or four times.
- _____ 13. Which of these types of insurance does not cover medical bills?
- bodily-injury liability insurance
 - uninsured motorist insurance
 - comprehensive insurance
 - medical-payment insurance
- _____ 14. If a tire blows out, which action should you avoid?
- pulling off onto the shoulder slowly
 - braking hard
 - easing up on the accelerator
 - turning on the emergency flashers

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- _____ 15. To avoid a side-impact collision,
- steer to the right.
 - steer to the left.
 - lock your brakes.
 - brake or accelerate quickly.
- _____ 16. If you change to a compact spare tire,
- you may treat it the same way as any other tire.
 - you should drive on it for no more than two weeks.
 - you should drive on it only as necessary under the manufacturer's conditions for use.
 - you will need to adjust your steering, as the car will tilt toward that corner.
- _____ 17. Which kind of insurance do you probably not need if you belong to an automobile club?
- property-damage liability insurance
 - collision insurance
 - towing insurance
 - uninsured motorist insurance
- _____ 18. When total steering failure occurs, you first should
- brake immediately.
 - shift to a lower gear.
 - apply the parking brake.
 - communicate your emergency to others using your horn and emergency flashers.
- _____ 19. An obstruction is just ahead on the shoulder. Your front wheel leaves the roadway at high speed. What should you do?
- Stop the vehicle immediately, turn the hazard flashers on, and wait in your car for help.
 - Swerve away from the road drop off.
 - Focus your attention to the target area the instant the front-right tire touches the roadway.
 - Straighten the wheels and try to straddle the road drop off.
- _____ 20. Your brakes fail. You pump the brake three or four times. The brakes still do not hold. What should you do next?
- Turn off the ignition.
 - Pump the brakes more rapidly.
 - Downshift to the lowest gear.
 - Scan for a safe place to slow down.
- _____ 21. The hood of your vehicle flies open while you are driving. The best thing to do is
- apply the brakes firmly, stopping as soon as possible.
 - pump the brake pedal, stop in your lane, and put on emergency flashers.
 - move the vehicle off the roadway to the right.
 - check your rear zone to see if it's safe to stop quickly.
- _____ 22. Going downhill, you brake and the pedal goes all the way to the floor. You should immediately
- apply the parking brake.
 - honk the horn.
 - check your safety belt for tightness.
 - pump the brake pedal fast and hard.

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- _____ 23. If you must leave the roadway at high speeds, you should
- apply the brakes as hard as possible.
 - drop to the floor.
 - steer for something "soft."
 - head toward oncoming moving objects.
- _____ 24. What happens if the power-steering system fails?
- The steering wheel will be easier to turn.
 - The steering wheel will be neither harder nor easier to turn.
 - The steering wheel will feel looser.
 - The steering wheel will be harder to turn.
- _____ 25. Comprehensive insurance is
- required in all states.
 - required in most states.
 - important for older, heavily used vehicles.
 - important for new or expensive vehicles.
- _____ 26. While you are driving, your engine stops suddenly. What should you do first?
- Brake the vehicle to a stop.
 - Shift to NEUTRAL.
 - Shift to a low gear.
 - Shift to PARK.
- _____ 27. What is the cause of most passenger-compartment fires?
- carburetor backfire
 - sparks generated by the ignition switch
 - faulty electrical wiring
 - careless use of matches, lighters, or tobacco products
- _____ 28. Generally speaking, male drivers
- pay higher insurance premiums than female drivers.
 - pay lower insurance premiums than female drivers.
 - pay the same insurance premiums as female drivers.
 - have fewer collisions than female drivers.
- _____ 29. If your headlights fail at night,
- stop immediately.
 - proceed to the nearest service station as quickly as possible.
 - turn on your right turn signal so you can see as you move to the right shoulder.
 - rummage through your glove compartment for a flashlight.
- _____ 30. Power-steering failure occurs when
- the engine dies.
 - the power-steering fluid level is low.
 - the drive belt breaks.
 - all of the above

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- _____ 31. An oncoming vehicle crosses the center line and drives into your lane. You should
- maintain control and slow.
 - drive into the other lane if it is empty.
 - speed up and drive onto the shoulder.
 - stop as quickly as possible.
- _____ 32. What should you do first if you enter a curve too fast?
- Avoid all potholes in the roadway.
 - Brake gently as soon as you realize the curve is sharper than you thought.
 - Accelerate moderately into the curve.
 - Steer hard toward the curve.
- _____ 33. When brakes overheat and lose their effectiveness, the condition is called
- brake fade.
 - brake loss.
 - brake warp.
 - hot brakes.
- _____ 34. If you do not know how to change a tire when needed, you can find instructions
- on your driver's side visor.
 - at the nearest golf club.
 - under the floor mat.
 - in the owner's manual.
- _____ 35. The first action to take when making an off-road recovery is to
- hold the steering wheel firmly.
 - steer back sharply.
 - slow to 5 or 10 mph.
 - signal your intentions.
- _____ 36. What should you carry in your vehicle in the event of a fuel, oil, grease, electrical, or ordinary combustible fire?
- an A-B-type fire extinguisher
 - an A-B-C-type fire extinguisher
 - a box of salt
 - an A-type fire extinguisher
- _____ 37. When threatened with a head-on collision, you should
- quickly lock the brakes.
 - apply the parking brake.
 - slow down as much as possible.
 - accelerate.
- _____ 38. If you see deep water on the roadway, you should
- stop and exit the car immediately.
 - turn around or take another route.
 - set the selector lever into NEUTRAL.
 - accelerate gently while looking to your target area.

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- _____ 39. You are about to be struck from behind while stopped at a stop sign. You should
- release the brakes just before the collision.
 - put on the parking brake.
 - shift to REVERSE and turn off the engine.
 - brake hard to avoid the collision.
- _____ 40. In case of a blowout, which procedure is incorrect?
- Brake gently after the vehicle is under control.
 - Slow down and pull off onto the shoulder.
 - Brake immediately to avoid tire damage.
 - Grip the steering wheel firmly.
- _____ 41. Your vehicle stalls on railroad tracks and cannot be restarted immediately. What should you do next?
- Turn on the emergency flasher.
 - Set the parking brake.
 - Get any passengers out of the vehicle, and away from the tracks if there is a train coming.
 - Shift to NEUTRAL and push the vehicle off the tracks.
- _____ 42. Bodily-injury liability insurance
- is not required in most states.
 - is needed by all vehicle owners.
 - is important only for owners of new and expensive vehicles.
 - never covers any legal fees.
- _____ 43. The cost of insurance for your car is affected by all of the following except
- type of vehicle.
 - address.
 - your grades in school.
 - age.
- _____ 44. Your vehicle's engine compartment catches on fire while you are driving. What should you do first?
- Estimate the seriousness of the fire.
 - Open the hood and check the extent of the fire.
 - Quickly steer out of traffic to a safe, open area.
 - Get a blanket to smother the fire.
- _____ 45. If your engine dies, causing a loss of power steering, what is the result?
- You need to exert more effort to steer.
 - You cannot steer until the steering system is repaired.
 - You cannot steer.
 - You need less effort to steer.
- _____ 46. If you experience brake fade,
- pump the brakes.
 - apply the parking brake.
 - shift to a lower gear.
 - stop and let the brakes cool.

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- _____ 47. If your headlights fail at night, you should
- immediately move off the road.
 - stop where you are.
 - check your fuse box.
 - drive with a flashlight.
- _____ 48. While driving at 50 mph, you have a blowout of the left rear tire. Your first reaction should be to
- handle the blowout like a skid.
 - turn off the ignition.
 - brake hard.
 - steer off the roadway quickly.
- _____ 49. Your vehicle is stalled on the railroad tracks. In what direction should you run when you abandon your vehicle?
- behind the vehicle
 - in front of the vehicle
 - away from the tracks in the direction the train is approaching from
 - away from the tracks in the direction the train is going
- _____ 50. At what speed can you normally swerve to a new path in less distance than you need to stop?
- 40 mph or above
 - 30 mph or above
 - below 30 mph
 - below 20 mph