

PRACTICE EXAM 19: TEXAS CDL GENERAL KNOWLEDGE SIMULATION (100 QUESTIONS)

This 100-question practice exam is a study aid based on the Texas CMV Driver's Handbook. Choose the single best answer. Confirm current requirements in the official handbook before testing or operating.

1. Practice decision 1: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the main purpose of a pre-trip inspection?

- A. Warm the engine faster
- B. Shorten the loading process
- C. Increase fuel use before departure
- D. Find defects before they become road hazards

2. Practice decision 2: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - during a walk-around inspection, what should a driver check for under the vehicle?

- A. The route's weather forecast
- B. Leaks, loose parts, and hanging components
- C. A clean pavement surface
- D. The exact tire brand

3. Practice decision 3: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should cargo be checked after beginning a trip?

- A. To confirm it remains secure
- B. To change the bill of lading
- C. To reduce tire pressure
- D. To avoid using mirrors

4. Practice decision 4: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest response to a steering system defect found before departure?

- A. Drive slowly to the repair shop
- B. Ask a passenger to watch it
- C. Do not operate until the defect is corrected
- D. Ignore it if the steering wheel turns

5. Practice decision 5: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why must tire condition be inspected before driving?

- A. Tires are checked only after a crash
- B. Tires only affect fuel receipts
- C. Tire color affects visibility
- D. Tires affect traction, steering, and stopping

6. Practice decision 6: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should a driver do when a brake warning device activates while driving?

- A. Continue until the next scheduled stop
- B. Pump the brakes repeatedly
- C. Respond safely and investigate the warning
- D. Increase speed to clear traffic

7. Practice decision 7: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is a safe reason to test service brakes at low speed after moving off?

- A. To check that the vehicle stops properly
- B. To center the cargo
- C. To verify radio reception
- D. To dry the windshield

8. Practice decision 8: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - which item should be checked for proper attachment during an exterior inspection?

- A. Driver's lunch container
- B. Mirrors and their mounting hardware
- C. Windshield wiper fluid color
- D. Cab radio preset

9. Practice decision 9: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver inspect emergency equipment before a trip?

- A. It replaces required maintenance
- B. It may be needed during an emergency
- C. It improves engine power
- D. It permits faster loading

10. Practice decision 10: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the best action if a required safety item is missing before departure?

- A. Obtain the item or correct the deficiency
- B. Borrow another driver's license
- C. Drive only in daylight
- D. Use the vehicle and replace it later

11. Practice decision 11: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is checking fluid levels part of a pre-trip inspection?

- A. Only mechanics may notice low fluids
- B. Fluid levels determine parking space during normal vehicle operation
- C. Low fluids can damage systems or create hazards
- D. Fluids make cargo lighter during normal vehicle operation

12. Practice decision 12: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should you look for when checking a vehicle's lights?

- A. Only whether the headlights are bright
- B. Only whether the horn works
- C. Whether lights match the paint
- D. Clean lenses, proper operation, and secure mounting

13. Practice decision 13: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver inspect coupling components on a combination vehicle?

- A. They determine fuel tax
- B. They replace cargo securement
- C. They control the cab temperature
- D. They connect the tractor and trailer safely

14. Practice decision 14: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the purpose of checking a vehicle's mirrors before moving?

- A. To measure trailer height during normal vehicle operation
- B. To ensure the driver can see required areas
- C. To make the cab look organized
- D. To reduce engine noise during normal vehicle operation

15. Practice decision 15: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - when should a driver report a safety defect found on a vehicle?

- A. Only after completing the route
- B. Only if a customer complains
- C. As required, before operating if unsafe
- D. After washing the vehicle

16. Practice decision 16: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver check wheel and rim condition?

- A. Wheel failures can cause loss of control
- B. Wheel checks are optional in rain
- C. Rims improve fuel grade
- D. Rims only affect appearance

17. Practice decision 17: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should be checked on a trailer's landing gear before travel?

- A. That it is fully raised and secured
- B. That it holds extra cargo
- C. That it touches the road lightly
- D. That it is painted evenly

18. Practice decision 18: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should you do if you find a serious defect that makes the vehicle unsafe?

- A. Drive carefully and monitor it
- B. Ask another driver to follow
- C. Park the vehicle and have it corrected
- D. Remove the inspection report

19. Practice decision 19: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why are seat belts important in commercial vehicles?

- A. They replace air bags during normal vehicle operation
- B. They help keep the driver in position and protected
- C. They reduce cargo weight during normal vehicle operation
- D. They improve tire traction during normal vehicle operation

20. Practice decision 20: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the best reason to keep the windshield and mirrors clean?

- A. To keep cargo cooler
- B. To make the vehicle easier to sell
- C. To reduce fuel taxes
- D. To preserve visibility of hazards and traffic

21. Practice decision 21: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the first step in managing space ahead?

- A. Follow the vehicle ahead closely during normal vehicle operation
- B. Look far enough ahead to identify hazards early
- C. Watch only the hood during normal vehicle operation
- D. Focus on mirrors instead of the road

22. Practice decision 22: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is following distance important for a cmv?

- A. Large vehicles need more time and distance to stop
- B. It eliminates mirror checks during normal vehicle operation
- C. It increases engine power during normal vehicle operation
- D. It lets the driver draft closely

23. Practice decision 23: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - when driving at night, what should a driver do with speed?

- A. Ignore reduced visibility
- B. Use the same speed as daytime automatically
- C. Drive within the distance visible ahead
- D. Follow tail lights more closely

24. Practice decision 24: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is a safe response when a driver is being tailgated?

- A. Speed up beyond safe limits
- B. Move toward the road edge abruptly
- C. Increase space ahead and avoid sudden moves
- D. Brake hard to warn the following driver

25. Practice decision 25: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver scan mirrors regularly?

- A. To count lane markings
- B. To monitor traffic around the vehicle
- C. To check cargo paperwork
- D. To avoid looking through the windshield

26. Practice decision 26: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest approach to a blind spot?

- A. Signal, check mirrors, and verify the space is clear
- B. Use only the horn during normal vehicle operation
- C. Assume smaller vehicles will yield during normal vehicle operation
- D. Turn quickly without signaling during normal vehicle operation

27. Practice decision 27: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver avoid sudden steering movements?

- A. They make mirrors brighter during normal vehicle operation
- B. They improve braking distance during normal vehicle operation
- C. They help cargo settle during normal vehicle operation
- D. They can cause skids, rollovers, or lane departure

28. Practice decision 28: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should you do if you are unsure whether there is enough clearance?

- A. Speed up to reduce exposure
- B. Follow the vehicle ahead exactly
- C. Proceed slowly and verify before entering
- D. Assume the trailer will fit

29. Practice decision 29: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is speed management especially important on curves?

- A. Higher speed increases the risk of rollover and loss of control
- B. Only cars need to slow for curves
- C. Curves improve braking traction during normal vehicle operation
- D. Speed has no effect on turning during normal vehicle operation

30. Practice decision 30: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest way to change lanes in a large vehicle?

- A. Drift gradually without signaling during normal vehicle operation
- B. Turn the wheel sharply during normal vehicle operation
- C. Signal early, check mirrors, and move only when clear
- D. Rely on another driver to honk

31. Practice decision 31: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver keep a space cushion to the sides?

- A. It allows closer passing
- B. It provides an escape path from hazards
- C. It makes turns shorter
- D. It improves radio reception

32. Practice decision 32: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - when should a driver begin slowing for an exit?

- A. After passing the ramp
- B. After the ramp begins
- C. Only when the vehicle reaches the stop sign
- D. Before entering the exit ramp

33. Practice decision 33: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is a key risk of driving too fast for conditions?

- A. Better traction
- B. More time to react
- C. Lower rollover risk
- D. Reduced control and increased stopping distance

34. Practice decision 34: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver communicate intentions early?

- A. It guarantees others will yield
- B. It replaces mirror checks
- C. Other road users need time to respond
- D. Signals are only for parking

35. Practice decision 35: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should a driver do when visibility is reduced by rain or fog?

- A. Turn off lights to reduce glare
- B. Slow down and increase following distance
- C. Maintain normal speed
- D. Follow closer to see tail lights

36. Practice decision 36: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is looking well ahead useful before a downgrade?

- A. It helps identify speed-control needs early
- B. It eliminates the need for brakes
- C. It makes the grade less steep
- D. It prevents mirror checks

37. Practice decision 37: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest response if another driver cuts in closely ahead?

- A. Sound the horn continuously during normal vehicle operation
- B. Accelerate to pass at once during normal vehicle operation
- C. Ease off and restore a safe following distance
- D. Immediately change lanes during normal vehicle operation

38. Practice decision 38: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver avoid backing when possible?

- A. Backing is always illegal during normal vehicle operation
- B. Backing has limited visibility and higher collision risk
- C. Backing uses too little fuel during normal vehicle operation
- D. Backing prevents cargo checks during normal vehicle operation

39. Practice decision 39: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the best practice before backing a cmv?

- A. Rely only on a backup alarm
- B. Back quickly to reduce time during normal vehicle operation
- C. Use only the passenger mirror during normal vehicle operation
- D. Get out and look if safe to do so

40. Practice decision 40: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should a driver do when a hazard requires a quick stop?

- A. Brake in a controlled manner while maintaining steering control
- B. Shift to neutral immediately during normal vehicle operation
- C. Close the eyes to reduce distraction
- D. Swerve first without braking during normal vehicle operation

41. Practice decision 41: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is distraction dangerous for a commercial driver?

- A. It makes mirrors unnecessary
- B. It improves concentration
- C. It shortens stopping distance
- D. It delays detection and response to hazards

42. Practice decision 42: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the purpose of selecting a safe speed before a curve?

- A. To avoid using the steering wheel
- B. To allow late braking in the curve
- C. To keep traction and stability through the turn
- D. To make passing easier during normal vehicle operation

43. Practice decision 43: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should a driver do after passing another vehicle?

- A. Cut in to block traffic during normal vehicle operation
- B. Return only when the passed vehicle is visible in mirrors
- C. Stop in the travel lane during normal vehicle operation
- D. Move back immediately after the cab clears

44. Practice decision 44: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver anticipate traffic changes far ahead?

- A. It allows smooth, early adjustments
- B. It guarantees right of way
- C. It permits closer following
- D. It replaces use of turn signals

45. Practice decision 45: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest action when approaching a work zone?

- A. Maintain normal highway speed during normal vehicle operation
- B. Change lanes without signaling during normal vehicle operation
- C. Ignore workers if cones are present
- D. Reduce speed and follow signs and lane guidance

46. Practice decision 46: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver avoid driving beside another vehicle for long?

- A. It reduces wind effects during normal vehicle operation
- B. It eliminates blind spots during normal vehicle operation
- C. It limits escape space and can hide the vehicle
- D. It improves visibility too much during normal vehicle operation

47. Practice decision 47: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the best response to a strong crosswind?

- A. Grip the wheel firmly and reduce speed as needed
- B. Accelerate rapidly during normal vehicle operation
- C. Steer toward the shoulder sharply during normal vehicle operation
- D. Ignore the wind until a curve

48. Practice decision 48: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is keeping both hands ready on the wheel important?

- A. It improves fuel economy
- B. It supports quick, controlled steering corrections
- C. It removes the need for seat belts
- D. It replaces mirror checks

49. Practice decision 49: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should a driver do when entering traffic from a stop?

- A. Enter without signaling during normal vehicle operation
- B. Use the shoulder as an acceleration lane
- C. Wait for a safe gap and accelerate smoothly
- D. Force other vehicles to brake during normal vehicle operation

50. Practice decision 50: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why must cargo be secured?

- A. Unsecured cargo can shift, fall, or affect handling
- B. Only the loader is responsible during normal vehicle operation
- C. Cargo securement is only for appearance
- D. Cargo becomes lighter when loose during normal vehicle operation

51. Practice decision 51: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is a likely effect of cargo shifting during a turn?

- A. It improves cornering during normal vehicle operation
- B. It reduces rollover risk during normal vehicle operation
- C. It makes braking stronger during normal vehicle operation
- D. It can change the vehicle's balance and cause loss of control

52. Practice decision 52: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should cargo securement be rechecked during a trip?

- A. It improves route planning
- B. Vibration and movement can loosen restraints
- C. It replaces pre-trip inspection
- D. Cargo never changes after loading

53. Practice decision 53: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest response if cargo has shifted?

- A. Ignore it if doors are closed
- B. Turn sharply to reposition it during normal vehicle operation
- C. Stop safely and correct the load before continuing
- D. Drive faster to settle it during normal vehicle operation

54. Practice decision 54: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver know the vehicle's height?

- A. To select radio stations
- B. To estimate fuel price
- C. To reduce tire wear
- D. To avoid striking low clearances

55. Practice decision 55: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should be considered before crossing railroad tracks?

- A. Whether the road is dry during normal vehicle operation
- B. Clearance, traffic conditions, and the ability to cross completely
- C. How fast traffic behind is moving
- D. Only the train's color during normal vehicle operation

56. Practice decision 56: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why can a high center of gravity be dangerous?

- A. It increases rollover risk in curves and evasive maneuvers
- B. It shortens the vehicle during normal vehicle operation
- C. It improves traction during normal vehicle operation
- D. It makes brakes stronger during normal vehicle operation

57. Practice decision 57: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the best way to protect a load during turns?

- A. Take turns at a controlled speed
- B. Brake hard mid-turn
- C. Accelerate through the turn
- D. Use sudden steering inputs

58. Practice decision 58: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should cargo doors be checked before travel?

- A. Door checks reduce engine heat during normal vehicle operation
- B. They are checked only at delivery
- C. Open or insecure doors can create a road hazard
- D. Doors only affect cab comfort during normal vehicle operation

59. Practice decision 59: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the purpose of using adequate cargo restraints?

- A. To avoid weighing cargo
- B. To prevent movement under normal driving forces
- C. To make unloading slower
- D. To improve air pressure

60. Practice decision 60: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is a safe action when loading affects rearward visibility?

- A. Drive without mirror checks during normal vehicle operation
- B. Remove all mirrors during normal vehicle operation
- C. Back faster to reduce blind time
- D. Use properly adjusted mirrors and follow required precautions

61. Practice decision 61: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should weight be distributed properly?

- A. It eliminates the need for securement
- B. It makes turns tighter during normal vehicle operation
- C. Improper distribution can harm handling, tires, and axles
- D. It only changes the vehicle's paint

62. Practice decision 62: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should a driver do if a load blocks a required light or reflector?

- A. Ignore it if the cargo is secure
- B. Cover the remaining lights too
- C. Drive only during daylight
- D. Correct the condition before operating

63. Practice decision 63: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is a cargo check especially important after hard braking?

- A. Forces may have shifted or loosened the load
- B. Braking improves tiedowns automatically during normal vehicle operation
- C. Cargo becomes lighter during normal vehicle operation
- D. It is not important until unloading

64. Practice decision 64: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the first priority during a tire blowout?

- A. Turn sharply toward the shoulder during normal vehicle operation
- B. Hold the steering wheel firmly and maintain control
- C. Shift into reverse during normal vehicle operation
- D. Brake hard immediately during normal vehicle operation

65. Practice decision 65: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest action if the vehicle begins to skid?

- A. Apply the parking brake
- B. Avoid overcorrecting and regain traction smoothly
- C. Steer rapidly side to side
- D. Accelerate hard

66. Practice decision 66: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is hard braking on a slippery surface risky?

- A. It always improves traction during normal vehicle operation
- B. It makes skids impossible during normal vehicle operation
- C. It can lock wheels and reduce steering control
- D. It raises tire pressure during normal vehicle operation

67. Practice decision 67: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should you do if you smell smoke or see signs of fire?

- A. Open the cargo doors while moving
- B. Ignore it until the next stop
- C. Drive faster to cool the vehicle
- D. Stop safely, secure the vehicle, and address the emergency

68. Practice decision 68: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest use of warning devices after an emergency stop?

- A. Place them as required after securing the vehicle
- B. Place them where traffic cannot see them
- C. Throw them from the cab during normal vehicle operation
- D. Use them only at night during normal vehicle operation

69. Practice decision 69: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver avoid using the parking brake to stop a moving vehicle?

- A. It provides the smoothest stopping during normal vehicle operation
- B. It may cause loss of control or damage
- C. It improves steering during normal vehicle operation
- D. It is designed for all emergency stops

70. Practice decision 70: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the best response when brakes become less effective on a downgrade?

- A. Use a safe speed and appropriate braking strategy early
- B. Shift to neutral during normal vehicle operation
- C. Turn off the engine during normal vehicle operation
- D. Wait until speed becomes excessive during normal vehicle operation

71. Practice decision 71: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver plan an escape route?

- A. It guarantees a clear shoulder during normal vehicle operation
- B. It makes following closer safe during normal vehicle operation
- C. It replaces braking during normal vehicle operation
- D. It provides a safer option if a hazard develops

72. Practice decision 72: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest response to hydroplaning?

- A. Brake hard immediately during normal vehicle operation
- B. Turn sharply toward the median during normal vehicle operation
- C. Ease off the accelerator and avoid sudden inputs
- D. Accelerate to increase tire grip during normal vehicle operation

73. Practice decision 73: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver use headlights in poor visibility?

- A. They help the driver see and help others see the vehicle
- B. They eliminate the need for wipers during normal vehicle operation
- C. They make braking unnecessary during normal vehicle operation
- D. They reduce vehicle height during normal vehicle operation

74. Practice decision 74: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should a driver do after stopping for an emergency?

- A. Remove all warning devices during normal vehicle operation
- B. Leave the vehicle in the travel lane
- C. Protect the scene and communicate the problem as appropriate
- D. Restart immediately without checking during normal vehicle operation

75. Practice decision 75: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is fatigue a serious driving hazard?

- A. It improves focus during long trips
- B. It makes speed control easier
- C. It replaces the need for breaks
- D. It reduces alertness, judgment, and reaction time

76. Practice decision 76: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest response when you feel too tired to drive?

- A. Increase speed to finish sooner
- B. Stop in a safe place and rest
- C. Rely on fresh air alone
- D. Use a phone to stay awake

77. Practice decision 77: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is alcohol dangerous even before a driver feels obviously impaired?

- A. It prevents fatigue
- B. It improves night vision
- C. It makes reaction time faster
- D. It can affect judgment and coordination early

78. Practice decision 78: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest rule for medication and driving?

- A. Double the dose before a trip during normal vehicle operation
- B. Know its effects and do not drive if it impairs you
- C. Assume all over-the-counter drugs are harmless during normal vehicle operation
- D. Use it only with caffeine during normal vehicle operation

79. Practice decision 79: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver manage emotions while driving?

- A. Stress removes blind spots during normal vehicle operation
- B. Anger makes cargo secure during normal vehicle operation
- C. Anger and stress can lead to risky decisions
- D. Emotions improve braking distance during normal vehicle operation

80. Practice decision 80: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the best use of a rest break?

- A. Recover alertness before it becomes a driving hazard
- B. Use it to drive faster afterward
- C. Use it only to check messages
- D. Skip it to stay on schedule

81. Practice decision 81: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver avoid using a phone while operating a cmv?

- A. It improves mirror scanning during normal vehicle operation
- B. Phone use diverts attention from the driving task
- C. It reduces stopping distance during normal vehicle operation
- D. It makes traffic predictable during normal vehicle operation

82. Practice decision 82: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should a driver do if a route problem causes stress?

- A. Follow another vehicle without checking during normal vehicle operation
- B. Ignore signs during normal vehicle operation
- C. Make a sudden U-turn during normal vehicle operation
- D. Slow down mentally, reassess safely, and avoid impulsive actions

83. Practice decision 83: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is maintaining physical health relevant to safe driving?

- A. It has no effect on driving
- B. Health only affects uniform appearance
- C. Health affects alertness, endurance, and decision-making
- D. It replaces trip planning

84. Practice decision 84: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest response to a conflict with another road user?

- A. Avoid confrontation and focus on safe driving
- B. Challenge the other driver
- C. Block the other vehicle
- D. Follow closely to complain

85. Practice decision 85: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what does defensive driving mean for a cmv driver?

- A. Driving aggressively to control traffic
- B. Using the horn instead of mirrors
- C. Expecting hazards and preparing safe responses
- D. Assuming others will always yield

86. Practice decision 86: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver plan a trip before departure?

- A. It replaces maps and signs during normal vehicle operation
- B. Planning eliminates vehicle inspection during normal vehicle operation
- C. It makes fatigue impossible during normal vehicle operation
- D. Planning identifies route, clearance, weather, and stopping needs

87. Practice decision 87: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the best reason to check weather before a trip?

- A. Weather can change traction, visibility, and route safety
- B. It determines cargo ownership during normal vehicle operation
- C. It changes the driver's license class
- D. It replaces a pre-trip inspection during normal vehicle operation

88. Practice decision 88: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver know bridge and road restrictions on a route?

- A. Restrictions are optional suggestions during normal vehicle operation
- B. Restrictions can affect whether the CMV can legally and safely pass
- C. They determine radio channels during normal vehicle operation
- D. They only affect passenger cars during normal vehicle operation

89. Practice decision 89: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest action when a route is unfamiliar?

- A. Rely on memory alone during normal vehicle operation
- B. Use a plan and slow down early for decisions
- C. Follow signs at the last second
- D. Make sudden lane changes during normal vehicle operation

90. Practice decision 90: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is keeping documents organized helpful on a trip?

- A. It makes cargo lighter during normal vehicle operation
- B. It increases traction during normal vehicle operation
- C. It supports compliance and reduces distraction during inspections
- D. It eliminates stop requirements during normal vehicle operation

91. Practice decision 91: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should a driver do if a vehicle problem develops during the trip?

- A. Respond safely, stop when appropriate, and report the issue
- B. Increase speed to finish sooner during normal vehicle operation
- C. Disable warning indicators during normal vehicle operation
- D. Ignore it until the route ends

92. Practice decision 92: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver inspect the vehicle after a trip?

- A. It replaces future inspections
- B. The vehicle cannot develop defects while driving
- C. It is only for cleaning
- D. Post-trip checks can reveal defects needing attention

93. Practice decision 93: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest reason to obey traffic controls in a cmv?

- A. They apply only to small vehicles
- B. They are optional when on schedule
- C. They organize traffic and communicate known hazards
- D. They replace safe speed judgment

94. Practice decision 94: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is maintaining a professional attitude important for cdl drivers?

- A. It eliminates fatigue during normal vehicle operation
- B. It removes the need for training
- C. It increases vehicle length during normal vehicle operation
- D. Professional choices support safety, compliance, and public trust

95. Practice decision 95: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the safest response when unsure about a vehicle procedure?

- A. Stop and obtain reliable guidance before proceeding
- B. Use a shortcut without checking
- C. Guess and continue
- D. Ask a passenger to decide

96. Practice decision 96: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver remain alert at intersections?

- A. Intersections are safer than open roads
- B. Conflicting traffic and changing signals create hazards
- C. Mirrors are unnecessary there
- D. Speed is less important there

97. Practice decision 97: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what should a driver do before descending a long grade?

- A. Shift to neutral during normal vehicle operation
- B. Turn off all lights during normal vehicle operation
- C. Wait until speed rises during normal vehicle operation
- D. Select a safe speed and appropriate gear before the descent

98. Practice decision 98: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why is a complete vehicle stop sometimes necessary before turning?

- A. It replaces signaling during normal vehicle operation during normal vehicle operation
- B. It may be needed to create a safe turning path and check traffic
- C. It always saves fuel during normal vehicle operation during normal vehicle operation
- D. It makes mirrors unnecessary during normal vehicle operation during normal vehicle operation

99. Practice decision 99: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - what is the best reason to keep adequate following distance in bad weather?

- A. Tailgating keeps tires warm
- B. Other drivers always move faster
- C. Stopping distance and visibility are reduced
- D. Weather improves braking

100. Practice decision 100: In commercial driving, how should this issue be handled - why should a driver avoid taking curves at a speed set by nearby cars?

- A. CMVs have different weight, handling, and rollover risk
- B. Truck speed is not affected by curves
- C. Following cars improves traction during normal vehicle operation
- D. Cars always travel too slowly during normal vehicle operation

PRACTICE EXAM 19: ANSWER KEY AND EXPLANATIONS

- 1. D** - Find defects before they become road hazards is correct because It identifies safety defects while the vehicle is still parked. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 2. B** - Leaks, loose parts, and hanging components is correct because Underbody checks can reveal leaks or damaged components. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 3. A** - To confirm it remains secure is correct because Initial movement can loosen cargo restraints. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 4. C** - Do not operate until the defect is corrected is correct because Steering defects can cause loss of directional control. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 5. D** - Tires affect traction, steering, and stopping is correct because Tires are essential to control and braking. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 6. C** - Respond safely and investigate the warning is correct because A brake warning may indicate a critical system problem. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 7. A** - To check that the vehicle stops properly is correct because A low-speed test can reveal braking pull or weak response. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 8. B** - Mirrors and their mounting hardware is correct because Secure mirrors are necessary for visibility. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 9. B** - It may be needed during an emergency is correct because Emergency equipment must be available when needed. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 10. A** - Obtain the item or correct the deficiency is correct because Required safety equipment should be present before travel. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 11. C** - Low fluids can damage systems or create hazards is correct because Adequate fluids support safe operation. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 12. D** - Clean lenses, proper operation, and secure mounting is correct because Lights must work and be visible to others. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

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13. D - They connect the tractor and trailer safely is correct because A faulty coupling can cause trailer separation. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

14. B - To ensure the driver can see required areas is correct because Mirrors must be adjusted before driving. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

15. C - As required, before operating if unsafe is correct because Safety defects need timely reporting and correction. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

16. A - Wheel failures can cause loss of control is correct because Damaged wheels can fail while moving. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

17. A - That it is fully raised and secured is correct because Landing gear must not contact the roadway. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

18. C - Park the vehicle and have it corrected is correct because Unsafe defects should be corrected before operation. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

19. B - They help keep the driver in position and protected is correct because Seat belts help prevent ejection and loss of control. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

20. D - To preserve visibility of hazards and traffic is correct because Clear glass and mirrors support early hazard detection. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

21. B - Look far enough ahead to identify hazards early is correct because Looking ahead creates time to plan. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

22. A - Large vehicles need more time and distance to stop is correct because Extra space provides time to react and brake. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

23. C - Drive within the distance visible ahead is correct because Speed must fit the distance the driver can see. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

24. D - Brake hard to warn the following driver is correct because Extra space reduces the need for abrupt braking. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection,

route planning, and vehicle operation.

25. B - To monitor traffic around the vehicle is correct because Mirror checks reveal changes beside and behind the vehicle. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

26. A - Signal, check mirrors, and verify the space is clear is correct because Blind spots require deliberate observation before moving. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

27. D - They can cause skids, rollovers, or lane departure is correct because Smooth steering preserves traction and vehicle stability. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

28. C - Proceed slowly and verify before entering is correct because Clearance must be confirmed before committing the vehicle. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

29. A - Higher speed increases the risk of rollover and loss of control is correct because CMVs have a high center of gravity and need controlled speed. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

30. C - Signal early, check mirrors, and move only when clear is correct because A planned lane change protects traffic in blind areas. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

31. B - It provides an escape path from hazards is correct because Side space gives room to avoid conflict. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

32. D - Before entering the exit ramp is correct because Reducing speed before the ramp prevents instability. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

33. D - Reduced control and increased stopping distance is correct because Unsafe speed leaves less margin for hazards. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

34. C - Other road users need time to respond is correct because Early communication reduces surprises and conflicts. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

35. B - Slow down and increase following distance is correct because Reduced visibility requires more time and space. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

36. A - It helps identify speed-control needs early is correct because Early recognition allows safe speed selection. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

- 37. C** - Ease off and restore a safe following distance is correct because Restoring space is safer than retaliation. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 38. B** - Backing has limited visibility and higher collision risk is correct because Planning reduces the need for a high-risk maneuver. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 39. D** - Get out and look if safe to do so is correct because Direct observation helps identify hazards behind the vehicle. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 40. A** - Brake in a controlled manner while maintaining steering control is correct because Controlled braking and steering help prevent secondary loss of control. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 41. D** - It delays detection and response to hazards is correct because Driving requires continuous attention to changing conditions. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 42. C** - To keep traction and stability through the turn is correct because Speed should be reduced before turning, not during a crisis. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 43. B** - Return only when the passed vehicle is visible in mirrors is correct because Mirror visibility helps confirm safe clearance. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 44. A** - It allows smooth, early adjustments is correct because Anticipation reduces sudden braking and steering. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 45. D** - Reduce speed and follow signs and lane guidance is correct because Work zones demand extra attention and controlled speed. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 46. C** - It limits escape space and can hide the vehicle is correct because Avoiding prolonged side-by-side travel preserves options. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 47. A** - Grip the wheel firmly and reduce speed as needed is correct because Wind can push a tall vehicle, so control and speed matter. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 48. B** - It supports quick, controlled steering corrections is correct because Proper hand control helps manage unexpected movement. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 49. C** - Wait for a safe gap and accelerate smoothly is correct because A safe gap gives the vehicle time and space to merge. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

- 50. A** - Unsecured cargo can shift, fall, or affect handling is correct because Secure cargo protects the vehicle, driver, and public. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 51. D** - It can change the vehicle's balance and cause loss of control is correct because Shifting weight can destabilize the vehicle. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 52. B** - Vibration and movement can loosen restraints is correct because Travel forces can change a securement system. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 53. C** - Stop safely and correct the load before continuing is correct because A shifted load can affect control and must be corrected. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 54. D** - To avoid striking low clearances is correct because Overhead clearance must be confirmed for the whole vehicle. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 55. B** - Clearance, traffic conditions, and the ability to cross completely is correct because Never enter unless the vehicle can clear the tracks. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 56. A** - It increases rollover risk in curves and evasive maneuvers is correct because Higher loads increase stability demands. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 57. A** - Take turns at a controlled speed is correct because Controlled speed reduces side forces on the load. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 58. C** - Open or insecure doors can create a road hazard is correct because Secure doors prevent cargo loss and striking hazards. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 59. B** - To prevent movement under normal driving forces is correct because Restraints must hold the load during braking and turning. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 60. D** - Use properly adjusted mirrors and follow required precautions is correct because Visibility limits require deliberate compensating practices. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 61. C** - Improper distribution can harm handling, tires, and axles is correct because Balanced weight supports stable, legal vehicle operation. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 62. D** - Correct the condition before operating is correct because Required lighting and reflectors must remain effective. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

- 63. A** - Forces may have shifted or loosened the load is correct because Sudden deceleration can stress securement devices. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 64. B** - Hold the steering wheel firmly and maintain control is correct because Firm steering helps prevent a sudden lane departure. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 65. B** - Avoid overcorrecting and regain traction smoothly is correct because Smooth inputs help the tires regain traction. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 66. C** - It can lock wheels and reduce steering control is correct because Locked wheels may slide instead of steer. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 67. D** - Stop safely, secure the vehicle, and address the emergency is correct because Fire signs require an immediate, controlled response. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 68. A** - Place them as required after securing the vehicle is correct because Visible warnings alert approaching traffic to the hazard. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 69. B** - It may cause loss of control or damage is correct because Parking brakes are not a substitute for controlled service braking. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 70. A** - Use a safe speed and appropriate braking strategy early is correct because Early speed control prevents a runaway situation. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 71. D** - It provides a safer option if a hazard develops is correct because An escape path can prevent a collision when conditions change. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 72. C** - Ease off the accelerator and avoid sudden inputs is correct because Gentle actions allow tires to regain contact with the road. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 73. A** - They help the driver see and help others see the vehicle is correct because Lighting improves conspicuity when visibility is limited. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 74. C** - Protect the scene and communicate the problem as appropriate is correct because Scene protection reduces risk to the driver and others. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 75. D** - It reduces alertness, judgment, and reaction time is correct because Fatigue affects the decisions and reactions needed for safe driving. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 76. B** - Stop in a safe place and rest is correct because Rest is the reliable response to fatigue. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and

vehicle operation.

77. D - It can affect judgment and coordination early is correct because Impairment can begin before a person recognizes it. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

78. B - Know its effects and do not drive if it impairs you is correct because Some medications can affect alertness and coordination. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

79. C - Anger and stress can lead to risky decisions is correct because Calm decision-making supports safe control and judgment. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

80. A - Recover alertness before it becomes a driving hazard is correct because Breaks help drivers maintain the attention needed for safe operation. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

81. B - Phone use diverts attention from the driving task is correct because A driver needs full attention to recognize and respond to hazards. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

82. D - Slow down mentally, reassess safely, and avoid impulsive actions is correct because A calm reassessment helps prevent a second error. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

83. C - Health affects alertness, endurance, and decision-making is correct because Safe driving depends on the driver's ability to stay alert and capable. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

84. A - Avoid confrontation and focus on safe driving is correct because Escalation creates danger and distracts from vehicle control. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

85. C - Expecting hazards and preparing safe responses is correct because Defensive driving builds time and space for unpredictable actions. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.

86. D - Planning identifies route, clearance, weather, and stopping needs is correct because Good planning reduces surprises that can pressure unsafe choices. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

87. A - Weather can change traction, visibility, and route safety is correct because Weather information supports safe route and speed decisions. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

88. B - Restrictions can affect whether the CMV can legally and safely pass is correct because Route limits must be considered before entering a restricted area. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

89. B - Use a plan and slow down early for decisions is correct because Preparation gives the driver time to make controlled choices. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.

- 90. C** - It supports compliance and reduces distraction during inspections is correct because Organized records reduce confusion when information is needed. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 91. A** - Respond safely, stop when appropriate, and report the issue is correct because A developing defect can become a serious hazard if ignored. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 92. D** - Post-trip checks can reveal defects needing attention is correct because Identifying defects helps ensure the next trip starts safely. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 93. C** - They organize traffic and communicate known hazards is correct because Traffic controls coordinate movement and reduce conflict. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 94. D** - Professional choices support safety, compliance, and public trust is correct because A professional driver consistently makes safe, lawful decisions. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 95. A** - Stop and obtain reliable guidance before proceeding is correct because Uncertainty about safety procedures should be resolved before action. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 96. B** - Conflicting traffic and changing signals create hazards is correct because Intersections require scanning, speed control, and readiness to yield. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 97. D** - Select a safe speed and appropriate gear before the descent is correct because Preparation before the grade protects braking capacity and control. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 98. B** - It may be needed to create a safe turning path and check traffic is correct because Large vehicles need room and time to complete turns safely. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.
- 99. C** - Stopping distance and visibility are reduced is correct because Poor traction and visibility require more reaction space. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard. Apply this practice consistently during inspection, route planning, and vehicle operation.
- 100. A** - CMVs have different weight, handling, and rollover risk is correct because A safe curve speed depends on the CMV, load, and conditions. This answer applies the safe-driving principle being tested and gives the driver a clear action. The other choices either delay a needed response, rely on guesswork, or introduce an avoidable hazard.