

Show Me Tell Me Questions

“Tell Me” (Asked at the Test Centre)

1 Tell me how you'd check that the brakes are working before starting a journey.

Move away slowly and press the footbrake. The brakes should feel firm not spongy or slack and the car shouldn't pull to one side.

2 Tell me where you'd find the information for the recommended tyre pressures for this car and how tyre pressures should be checked.

In the manufacturer's guide, or on the door pillar,
Check the pressure using a reliable pressure gauge, when the tyres are cold.

3 Tell me how you make sure your head restraint is correctly adjusted so it provides the best protection in the event of a crash.

The head restraint should be adjusted so that the top of the restraint is at least as high as your eye level.

4 Tell me how you'd check the tyres to ensure that they have sufficient tread depth and that their general condition is safe to use on the road.

There should be 1.6mm of tread depth across the center $\frac{3}{4}$ of the tyre and all around the circumference (Outside edge). With no cuts and bulges (Damage) in the side wall.

5 Tell me how you'd check that the headlights & tail lights are working.

I would turn the ignition on then turn on the Dipped Beam Headlight. Checking that the green warning light is on, on the dash board. I would then walk round the car and check the light bulbs, front and back are working

(As this is a tell me you don't need to physically check the lights)

6 Tell me how you'd know if there was a problem with your anti-lock braking system.

The ABS amber warning light will come on and stay on, on the dash board if there is a fault.

7 Tell me how you'd check the direction indicators are working.

I would turn the hazard warning light on and then get out of the car and check all 6 indicator bulbs are working. Front, Back and either Side.

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8 Tell me how you'd check that the brake lights are working on this car.

I would ask someone to help by checking the brake lights at the back of the car. then turn the ignition on and press the brake pedal.

(I could also make use of reflections in windows, garage doors, etc. if nobody can help)

9 Tell me how you'd check that the power-assisted steering is working before starting a journey.

I would pull down on the steering wheel and start the engine. The wheel should go loose (a noticeable change in movement) as the system begins to work.

10 Tell me how you'd switch on the rear fog light(s) and explain when you'd use it/them.

I would turn on the ignition, then switch on the dipped headlights and press the Fog Light switch. Checking that the warning light is on, on the dash board.

You should use them when visibility is less than 100m, turning them off as visibility improves.

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11 Tell me how you'd switch your headlight from dipped to main beam and explain how you would know the main beam is on.

I would turn the ignition on then turn on the Dipped Headlights and operate the Main Beam arm switch. Checking that the blue warning light is on, on the dash board.

12 Open the bonnet and tell me how you'd check that the engine has sufficient oil.

Open the bonnet and point to the dipstick.

Describe that you would pull the dip stick out, wipe it with a cloth then replace it and pull it out again to check the oil level against the Max/Min markers.

This must be done when the engine is cold

13 Open the bonnet and tell me how you'd check that the engine has sufficient engine coolant.

Open the bonnet and point to the engine coolant bottle and identify the fluid level between the Max/Min level markings on the side of the header tank and explain that you it should be topped up to this level.

14 Open the bonnet and tell me how you'd check that you have a safe level of hydraulic brake fluid.

Open the bonnet and point to the brake fluid bottle and identify the fluid level between the Max/Min level markings on the side of the reservoir and explain that you it should be topped up to this level.

"Show Me" (Asked on the move)

When it's safe to do so, can you show me how you'd

1 Wash and clean the rear windscreen?

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3 Switch on your dipped headlights?

4 Set the rear demister?

5 Operate the horn?

6 Demist the front windscreen?

7 Open and close the side window?