



MPL Driving School – DVSA Show Me / Tell Me Guide

Tell Me Questions

Tell me how you would check that the brakes are working before starting a journey.

Brakes should not feel spongy or slack. Test as you move off; vehicle should not pull to one side.

Notes:

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

Manufacturer's guide. Use a reliable gauge. Check when tyres are cold, including spare. Refit valve caps.

Notes:

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

Rigid part level with eyes or ears; close to the back of the head.

Notes:

Tell me how you would check the tyres to ensure they have sufficient tread depth and that their general condition is safe to use.

No cuts or bulges. Tread depth 1.6mm across central three-quarters.

Notes:

Tell me how you would check that the headlights and tail lights are working.

Turn on lights (ignition if needed) and walk around to check.

Notes:

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

A warning light would show on the dashboard.

Notes:

Tell me how you would check the direction indicators are working.

Turn on hazard warning lights, walk around vehicle.

Notes:

Tell me how you would check the brake lights are working on this car.

Press brake and check reflection or ask someone.

Notes:

Tell me how you would check the power-assisted steering is working before starting a journey.

If steering is heavy, system may not be working. Gentle pressure causes movement when engine starts.

Notes:

Tell me how you would switch on the rear fog lights and explain when to use them.

Turn on dipped headlights then fog lights. Use below 100m visibility.

Notes:

Tell me how you switch your headlights from dipped to main beam and how you would know main beam is on.

Operate stalk and check blue warning light.

Notes:

Open the bonnet and tell me how you would check that the engine has sufficient oil.

Use dipstick. Level between min/max.

Notes:

Open the bonnet and tell me how you would check that the engine has sufficient engine coolant.

Check tank level between min/max.

Notes:

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

Check reservoir level between min/max.

Notes:

Show Me Questions

Show me how you wash and clean the rear windscreen.

Demonstrate safely while driving.

Notes:

Show me how you wash and clean the front windscreen.

Demonstrate safely while driving.

Notes:

Show me how you switch on your dipped headlights.

Demonstrate safely while driving.

Notes:

Show me how you set the rear demister.

Demonstrate safely while driving.

Notes:

Show me how you operate the horn.

Demonstrate safely while driving.

Notes:

Show me how you demist the front windscreen.

Demonstrate safely while driving.

Notes:

Show me how you open and close the side window.

Demonstrate safely while driving.

Notes:



Quick Revision Sheet

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- Tell me how you would check the direction indicators are working.
- Tell me how you would check the brake lights are working on this car.
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- Tell me how you would switch on the rear fog lights and explain when to use them.
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- Open the bonnet and tell me how you would check that you have a safe level of hydraulic brake fluid.

Show Me (During Driving)

- Show me how you wash and clean the rear windscreen.
- Show me how you wash and clean the front windscreen.
- Show me how you switch on your dipped headlights.
- Show me how you set the rear demister.
- Show me how you operate the horn.
- Show me how you demist the front windscreen.
- Show me how you open and close the side window.