

THE 2026 THEORY TEST MASTERCLASS

Official Car Driver's Success Guide

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SECTION 1: THE 2026 LIFE-SAVERS (NEW RULES)

In 2026, the DVSA has prioritized roadside survival. You **will** be asked about these.

1. The CPR Protocol

If you are first on the scene of an accident and find an unresponsive casualty:

- **Call 999 immediately.**
- **Check Breathing:** Look, listen, and feel for no more than 10 seconds.
- **Chest Compressions:** Place the heel of one hand in the center of the chest.
- **Depth:** Press down **5 to 6 cm**.
- **Rate:** Perform **100 to 120 compressions per minute** (Stayin' Alive beat).

2. Public Access Defibrillators (AED)

- **Who can use it?** Anyone. You do not need medical training.
- **The First Step:** Switch it on. The machine will give you clear voice instructions.
- **Safety:** Do not stop CPR until the machine tells you to "Stand Clear" to analyze the heart rhythm.

SECTION 2: SMART MOTORWAYS & HIGHWAY CODE

Motorway safety is a major fail point for new drivers.

1. The Red "X" Rule

- A Red "X" on a gantry means the lane is **closed**.
- **Law:** You must not drive in a lane showing a Red "X". It is often closed because of a breakdown or emergency workers ahead.

- **Penalty:** Automatic fine and 3 points on your license.

2. Stopping Distances (The Cheat Sheet)

- **Dry Roads:** 2-second gap.
- **Wet Roads:** 4-second gap (double the gap).
- **Icy Roads:** **20-second gap** (ten times the gap).

SECTION 3: THE HAZARD PERCEPTION "SECRET"

The Hazard Perception test uses CGI clips. To pass, you must understand the **Scoring Window**.

- **Potential Hazard:** A cyclist riding on the pavement. (Scan, but don't click yet).
- **Developing Hazard:** The cyclist wobbles and starts to veer into the road. (**CLICK NOW**).
- **The "3-Click" Technique:** To ensure you hit the scoring window, click once when you see a potential hazard, once when it develops, and once more a second later just in case you were too early.

SECTION 4: DOCUMENT & LAW QUICK-FIRE

- **SORN:** Statutory Off-Road Notification. Use this if you aren't driving or taxing the car. It lasts until the vehicle is taxed, sold, or scrapped.
- **MOT:** Cars need their first MOT when they are **3 years old**.
- **Insurance:** "Third Party" only covers the *other* person's car and property. It does not cover your own car.

SECTION 5: FINAL EXAM CHECKLIST

- Bring your **Provisional Photo Card Licence**.
- Arrive 15 minutes early (if you're late, you lose your fee).
- Use the 15-minute practice session at the start to get used to the touch screen.
- **Pass Mark:** 43/50 for Questions; 44/75 for Hazards.

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