

No.	Show me - Tell me
1	<b>Show me</b> Explain how you would check that the power assisted steering is working before starting a journey

Date	Level

Answers
There are 2 easy ways to test the power steering is working, firstly start the engine & turn the steering wheel very slightly, if the power steering is working correctly, a small but noticable movement will be felt, 2nd is to turn the steering wheel just after moving off, the wheels should move with ease. If steering is heavy, then its not working properly

2	<b>Show me</b> How you would check the brake lights are working on this car (I can assist you) If you need to switch the ignitoin on, do not start the engine
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Press the footbrake pedal, make use of reflections in windows/garage doors or elsewhere. Ask someone to help if needed. As this is a show me question the examiner may check the brake lights for you. You may need to switch the ignition on, do not start the engine.
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3	<b>Show me</b> How you would check that the direction indicators are working
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Turn the ignition on, switch on the left, then the right indicators, A warning light on the instrument panel will flash & there should be a ticking sound. Switch them off after the check.
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4	<b>Show me</b> How you would check that the horn is working (off road only)
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Checking to see if the horn works is simple. You will be able to hear it when you press down on the control. You may need to switch the ignition on, do not start the engine.
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5	<b>Show me</b> How you would check the parking brake for excessive wear, make sure you keep safe control of vehicle
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Press the footbrake pedal firmly, Demonstrate by applying the parking brake so that when it is fully applied it secures itself & is not at the end of the travel, you can tell its working correctly as it should hold the car securely.
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6 **Show me** How you would clean the windscreen using the windscreen washer & wipers


Operate the control to wash & wipe the windscreen. You may need to switch the ignition on, but do not start the engine.

7 **Show me** How you would set the demister controls to clear the windows effectively; this should include front & rear


Check all the relevant dashboard controls including fan, temperature, air direction/source & heated screen to clear the windscreen & windows. The engine does not have to be started for this demonstration.

8 **Show me** How you would switch on the rear fog lights & explain when you would use them (no need to exit or start the vehicle)


Operate the switch (turn on dipped lights & ignition if necessary) Check that the appropriate warning light is on. Explain that the use of these lights is governed by law & is restricted to very poor visibility, i.e. less than 100 metres

9 **Show me** How you would switch your headlights from dipped to main beam & explain how you would know the main beam is on whilst inside the car


Operate the switch (with ignition or engine on if necessary) & check the main beam warning light on the instrument panel.

**Tell Me**

1 Open the bonnet, identify where you would check the engine oil level & **tell me** how you would check that the engine has sufficient oil


Identify the oil dipstick. To check the level, the dipstick needs to be removed and wiped clean with a dry cloth, the dipstick should then be reinserted fully and removed again to see how much oil there is. It should be between the max & min marks

2 Open the bonnet, identify where you would check the engine coolant level & **tell me** how you would check that the engine has the correct level


Identify the coolant reservoir tank. It should be filled between the max & min markers. To add coolant, unscrew the radiator cap and top it up. This should only be done when the engine & radiator have cooled to avoid danger of scalding.

3 Open the bonnet, identify where the brake fluid reservoir is & **tell me** how you would check that you have a safe level of hydraulic brake fluid


Identify the brake fluid reservoir. The level of fluid needs to be between the min & max marker. If the brake fluid regularly needs topping up, there may be a serious problem, so the car will need to be taken to a qualified mechanic.

4 Identify where the windscreen washer reservoir is & **tell me** how you would check the level


Identify the windscreen washer reservoir. To refill it, flip open the cap & check that the level of liquid is up to the neck of the bottle, topping up if necessary.

5 **Tell me** Where you would find the information for the recommended tyre pressures for this car & how the pressures should be checked


The recommended pressures are given in the manufacturers guide. A reliable pressure gauge must be used, checking & adjusting the pressures when the tyres are cold, not forgetting the spare tyre. Remember to refit the valve caps

6 **Tell me** How you would check the tyres to ensure that they have sufficient tread depth and that their general condition is safe for use on the road


The tyre tread depth can be checked using a gauge. Tyres must have a sufficient tread depth of at least 1.6mm of tread depth across the central 3/4 of the breadth of the tyre and around the entire circumference. A visual inspection should ensure that there are no cuts or bulges

7 **Tell me** How you would know that the brakes are working before starting journey


Press your right foot down on the brake pedal. The brakes should feel firm and not spongy or slack. It's a good idea to test the brakes just after moving off. They should adequately stop the car without pulling to one side. If they don't feel firm have them checked by a qualified mechanic

8 **Tell me** How you would know check that the headlights & tail lights are working (no need to exit the car)


Operate the headlight switch (turn on ignition if necessary) then walk around the vehicle (because this is tell me question, there is no need to physically check the lights)

9 **Tell me** How you would 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 the rigid part of the head restraint is at least as high as the eyes or the top of the ears, and as close to the back of the head as is comfortable. N.B. some restraints might not be adjustable.

10 **Tell me** How you would know if there was a problem with your anti-lock braking system


A warning light on the dashboard should illuminate if there is a fault with the anti-lock braking system. You would need to take the car to a qualified mechanic if this has happened.