VEHICLE AND TRAILER TOWING SAFETY MANUAL TEST

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SCORE_________________________ Passing Score of 80% is required

1. What is the single most important reason for doing a pre-trip vehicle inspection? 
   Safety

   a. A pre-trip inspection should be completed:
   b. At least once a week
   c. If any problems occurred the last time the vehicle was operated
   d. When time permits
   e. Before operating the vehicle

2. Name the component pictured below.
   a. Receiver Hitch
   b. Ball Mount
   c. Trailer Tongue
   d. Coupler

   ![Component Image]

3. When loading a trailer at least ________% of the weight should be placed in front of the axle.
   a. 40
   b. 50
   c. 60
   d. 70

4. Crossing the safety chains under the trailer tongue will allow them to form a safety net that catches the trailer’s tongue in case it breaks loose and falls to the roadway.
5. When backing up your trailer there are four simple safety rules. Name one Safety Rule:

Look at your path before you backup
Back Slowly
Back and turn towards the drivers side whenever possible. (For better visibility)
Use a helper

6. When backing up a trailer place one hand on the steering wheel at the 12 o’clock position.
   a. True
   b. False

8. Which of the diagrams below show the correct way to navigate a tight turn? A

9. When roads become wet and slippery, it will:
   a. Take longer to stop
   b. Become more difficult to turn
   c. Possibly double your stopping distance
   d. All of the Above

10. If the vehicle ahead of you is smaller than yours it can probably stop faster than you can.
    a. True
    b. False
11. Three things add up to the “total stopping distance” for your trailered vehicle. They are (in order): (Circle one)
   a. Perception distance + response distance + slowing distance
   b. Reaction distance + perception distance + breaking distance
   c. Perception distance + reaction distance + breaking distance
   d. Perception distance + breaking distance + reaction distance

12. Which of the following is the correct term for a trailer’s tendency to swing wide on turns?
   a. Sidetracking
   b. Off tracking
   c. Fish tailing
   d. Line tracking

13. The vehicle that trailering vehicles strike most often is? (Circle one)
   a. Passenger side adjacent lane
   b. Driver side adjacent lane
   c. Directly in Front
   d. All of the above

14. Which of these items is checked in a pre-trip inspection? (Circle one)
   a. Cargo securement
   b. Whether all vehicle lights are working
   c. Tires
   d. All of the above

15. You should plan ahead when you park your vehicle so that: (Circle One)
   a. It will be easy to pre-check your vehicle
   b. You are only required to pull forward when you leave
   c. You do not need to back up more than 10 feet
   d. All of the above