

Show Me Tell Me

Open the bonnet, identify where you would check the engine oil level and **tell me** how you would check that the engine has sufficient oil. – *Locate dipstick – check max & min marker.*

Open the bonnet, identify where you would check the engine coolant level and **tell me** how you would check that the engine has the correct level. – *Locate header tank – check the high & low mark. If it is to be topped up NEVER EVER undo cap until the engine is cold or you will be scalded with a pressurized jet of water.*

Identify where the windscreen washer reservoir is and **tell me** how you would check the windscreen washer level. - *Lift off cap and check level.*

Open the bonnet, identify where the brake fluid reservoir is and **tell me** how you would check that you have a safe level of hydraulic brake fluid. - *Locate the reservoir and check max/min mark.*

Tell me how you would check that the brakes are working before starting a journey. - *Brakes should not feel spongy or slack and should not pull to one side. Test as you set off.*

Tell me how you would check the tyres to ensure that they have sufficient tread depth and that their general condition is safe to use on the road. - *No cuts or bulges in tyre wall. 1.6mm tread for ¾ of the tyres central width for the whole circumference.*

Tell me where you would find the information for the recommended tyre pressures for this car and how tyre pressures should be checked. - *Manufacturers guide book. Check with a gauge when cold including the spare.*

Tell me how you make sure your head restraint is correctly adjusted so it provides the best protection in the event of a crash – *Adjusted so that the rigid part of restraint is at least as high as the eyes or top of the ears and as close to the back of the head as possible.*

Tell me how you would check that the headlights and tail lights are working. - *Explain that you would switch on lights, walk around vehicle and look.*

Tell me how you would know if there was a problem with your anti lock braking system. - *Warning light (ABS) should illuminate if there is a fault with the anti lock braking system.*

Show me how you would set the demister controls to clear all the windows effectively, this should include both front and rear screens – *Set all relevant controls including: fan, temperature, air direction/source and heated screen to clear windscreen and windows.*

Show me how you switch your headlight from dipped to main beam and explain how you would know the main beam is on whilst inside the car. - *Operate switch (with ignition on if necessary) and check the main beam warning light is illuminated.*

Show me how you would switch on the rear fog lights and explain when you would use them. (no need to exit vehicle). - *Operate switch (turn on dipped headlights and ignition if necessary) check warning light is on and then explain use.*

Show me how you would clean the windscreen using the windscreen washer and wipers – *Ignition on if necessary and operate control to wash and wipe windscreen.*

Show me / explain how you would check that the power assisted steering is working before starting a journey. - *Steering is heavy whilst engine is off, pull lightly on steering wheel and start engine, steering should become noticeably lighter. (Ensure precautionary checks before starting engine)*

Show me how you would check that the direction indicators are working. - *Switch electrics on and activate the indicator switch, then look at each light or use hazard warning lights.*

Show me how you would check that the horn is working (off road only). - *By pressing the horn button.*

Show me how you would check the handbrake for excessive wear. - *When the handbrake is pulled on it should stay in place, and should not be at the end of the working travel.*

Show me how you would check that the brake lights are working on this car. - *Ignition on if necessary, operate brake pedal, make use of reflections in windows garage doors etc, or ask someone to help look at the lights.*