

Driver Education Safety Quiz

Name _____

Score _____

Circle the most correct answer to each question.

1. It takes the average freight train going 55 mph a mile or more to stop. A mile is equal to how many football fields?

a. 2
b. 12
c. 18
d. 25

2. This sign tells you to:

a. Stop at this sign.
b. Slow down and prepare to stop at a railroad crossing.
c. Look and listen for trains. If you see one, decide if you need to stop or not.
d. No trains cross here.



3. At crossings where there is a stop sign or signal on the other side of the tracks, how do you determine if you can cross without being caught on the tracks?

a. There's always room following a crossing.
b. Get out of your vehicle and measure.
c. Make a careful guess.
d. Know the length of your vehicle. If it won't fit, don't commit.

4. What causes drivers to misjudge whether it is safe to cross the tracks?

a. Some drivers may not hear the train horn.
b. Trains change speed unexpectedly.
c. The eye is fooled by an optical illusion when judging the distance and speed of the train.
d. They think the train can stop in time.

5. This sign tells you to:

a. Expect to see a train at this crossing.
b. Yield to the train.
c. If there is more than one track, the number below indicates how many tracks are at the crossing.
d. All of the above.



6. If you believe signals are malfunctioning at the crossing, you should:

a. Look for the railroad's emergency notification number near the crossing and report the problem.
b. Do not cross. Wait for a properly identified railroad flagman or law enforcement officer to direct you across.
c. Find another route if help does not arrive.
d. All of the above.

Answer True or False to each statement.

7. _____ A vehicle approaching the railroad tracks always has the right of way.
8. _____ A crossbuck is the most common sign at a railroad crossing.
9. _____ A YIELD sign at the railroad crossing means the same as a YIELD sign at any intersection.
10. _____ A number posted below a crossbuck sign indicates how many train tracks cross at that highway-rail intersection.
11. _____ Lowered gates and flashing red lights mean a train is approaching. It is illegal to go around the gates.
12. _____ If the gates remain down after a train passes through a railroad crossing with more than one set of tracks, it usually means there is a train on another track.
13. _____ If your vehicle stalls on a track, never try to restart it. Evacuate immediately.
14. _____ If you get caught inside a lowering gate, you should keep going.
15. _____ If the lights are flashing and the gate begins to lower, you must stop outside the gate.

