UMR SDEL Driver Safety Training Quiz

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1. Passengers may ride in a trailer only when it is going slowly around campus.
   ________ TRUE ________ FALSE

2. Trailer sway, or oscillation, is caused by:
   a. Overloading
   b. Underloading
   c. A bad tire
   d. Too much weight in the back of the trailer
   e. Too much weight in the front of the trailer

3. The most fuel-efficient method of driving is:
   a. Cruise control
   b. Accelerate to cruising speed as soon as possible
   c. Gentle gradual pressure on the accelerator
   d. Drafting behind a big (18-wheel) truck

4. When pulling a trailer, Overdrive should be used:
   a. Only on downhills
   b. Only in hilly terrain
   c. On generally flat ground
   d. In urban areas

5. Trailer safety chains should be installed how?
   a. Left chain to left side of hitch and right to the right
   b. Both chains secured to a common point on the tow vehicle
   c. Both chains cross under the trailer connection in an “X” pattern
   d. Both chains tied as short as possible to avoid dragging and damage

6. When you get access to a vehicle that is used by other people you should:
   a. Check mirrors
   b. Adjust seat
   c. Check for loose objects in bed or cargo area
   d. Check for obstructions near the vehicle
   e. All of the above

7. Diesel vehicles are more powerful and therefore can be driven harder than gasoline engines:
   ________ TRUE ________ FALSE

8. When driving multiple vehicles (truck and trailer and van) over long distances, which vehicle should normally lead the caravan?
   a. Truck and trailer
   b. Van or other smaller vehicle
   c. Doesn’t matter
   d. They don’t need to travel together at all.
9. The brake controller reacts differently to each truck/trailer combination and should be adjusted by each driver for the driving conditions:

_________ TRUE  __________ FALSE

10. The best way for a truck and trailer to make a turn in traffic is to start the turn as quickly as possible:

_________ TRUE  __________ FALSE

11. When stopping for fuel on a long trip, how do you determine if a tire is developing a problem?
   a. Look for tread separation
   b. Place your hand on the tire and check for heat build-up
   c. Look for tire deformities such as bubbles or bulges
   d. Check tire pressure

12. When descending a hill driving a heavy vehicle you should keep applying steady pressure on the brakes:

_________ TRUE  __________ FALSE

13. What is the most important part of backing a truck and trailer?
   a. Proper back-up lights
   b. Dismounting the truck to check for obstructions
   c. Eye-to-eye communication with a “spotter” or “ground guide”
   d. None of the above

14. The first thing a driver should do when unhooking a trailer is to:
   a. Be sure there is room to pull the truck forward once unhooked
   b. Chock behind the trailer tires
   c. Chock in front of the tires
   d. Chock in front of and behind the trailer tires

15. What is the latest time of the day that someone may drive a UMR vehicle on a trip?
   a. No driving limit
   b. 2:00 a.m.
   c. Drivers can drive through the night only if drivers are rotated every two hours
   d. Midnight

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