

Tell me how you would check the engine oil level:

Open the car bonnet and locate the engine oil dipstick.

Pull out the dipstick and wipe it clean with a cloth or tissue.

Reinsert the dipstick fully back into its tube.

Pull out the dipstick again and check that the oil level is between the minimum and maximum markers. If it's below the minimum, add more oil as required.

Show me how you would check the brake fluid level:

Identify the brake fluid reservoir under the bonnet.

Check the level against the high and low markings on the reservoir. It should be between the two markers.

If the level is low, add the appropriate type of brake fluid to bring it up to the correct level.

Tell me how you would check the tyre pressure:

Use a reliable tyre pressure gauge to check the tyre pressure when the tyres are cold (not driven for at least two hours).

Refer to the vehicle's user manual or a sticker on the door jamb for the recommended tyre pressure.

Unscrew the valve cap, place the gauge onto the valve, and press down to get a reading.

Inflate or deflate the tyres as needed to reach the correct pressure.

Show me how you would check the headlights and taillights:

Turn on the ignition (don't start the engine) and turn on the dipped beam headlights.

Walk around the vehicle to check that both front and rear lights are working correctly.

Tell me how you would know if there was a problem with your anti-lock braking system (ABS):

Look for the ABS warning light on the dashboard when starting the car. The light should come on briefly and then go off, indicating that the system is functioning correctly.

If the ABS warning light stays on or comes on while driving, it indicates a problem with the system, and you should have it checked by a professional.

Show me how you would check the windscreen washer fluid level:

Identify the windscreen washer fluid reservoir under the bonnet.

Check the level against the high and low markings on the reservoir. It should be between the two markers.

If the level is low, add washer fluid to the reservoir.

Tell me how you would check the horn is working:

Press the horn button on the steering wheel to check if the horn makes a sound.

Show me how you would clean the windscreen using the windscreen washer and wipers:

Turn on the ignition.

Pull the windscreen wiper stalk towards you to activate the washer fluid and wipers. This will clean the windscreen.

Tell me how you would demist the front and rear windscreen:

Turn on the heating/ventilation system and select the front windscreen demister option.

Turn on the rear windscreen demister if the vehicle is equipped with one.

Show me how you would set the rear demister:

Turn on the ignition.

Locate the rear windscreen demister button or switch on the dashboard.

Press the button or switch to activate the rear demister.

Tell me how you would switch on the dipped headlights during the day:

Turn on the ignition.

Turn the headlight switch to the "Dipped Headlights" position.

Show me how you would operate the horn and make sure it's working:

Press the horn button on the steering wheel to check if the horn makes a sound.

Tell me how you would test the parking brake (handbrake) for excessive wear:

Apply the parking brake (handbrake) firmly.

Check for excessive play or "sponginess" in the handbrake lever. It should hold the vehicle securely and release smoothly.

Show me how you would check that the headlights and tail lights are working:

Turn on the ignition (don't start the engine) and turn on the dipped beam headlights.

Walk around the vehicle to check that both front and rear lights are working correctly.