

DMV Exam Preparation Resources

STUDY RESOURCES:

The DMV offers free copies of the driver's manual in English and Spanish. Copies are available in the Literacy for Life library and at the DMV.

The DMV offers practice exams and study resources online at dmv.virginia.gov

- See Driver / ID Services > Practice Exams
- The driver's license application form is available online as a PDF download

YouTube offers several study resources. Examples of YouTube channels include DMV VA Test and DMV 360.

Driving and Driver's Licenses are a common topic in adult literacy materials. Examples:

- Some books in the Literacy for Life library have a chapter or story on the theme of driving.
 Reading and discussing these materials are a good way to building knowledge of the subject and practice vocabulary. Examples include:
 - The Oxford Picture Dictionary (see Chapter 7 section on the DMV, and Chapter 8
 "Transportation.") See also the supplemental reader, Driving in the City.
 - Interactive English Book 3A, Chapter 11, "You Need to Get a Driver's License"
- Online materials often include driving themes as well. Examples:
 - Randall's ESL Cyber Listening Lab (esl-lab.com) offers Vocabulary Lessons on Driver's Education at https://www.esl-lab.com/vocabulary-lessons/drivers-education/
 - o Quizlet.com offers a variety of online flashcards. Enter "driver" in the search bar

NOTES:

- During the exam, candidates may read translations of each question. This option is available in 25 languages. (In the road signs portion, the signs appear in English only.)
- Teaching ideas:
 - Use role play to practice the conversation/vocabulary skills that the learner will need to interact with DMV staff.
 - Walk out to the parking lot to talk about the parts of the car. Reinforce vocabulary by seeing and touching an actual car ("adjust the mirror" or "apply the parking break.")
 - Use a Hot Wheels car to practice vocabulary such as "slow down" or "turn right."
- Help the learner to read and understand the DMV's identification and residency requirements, required forms, etc.
- As of 2021, some undocumented immigrants are eligible to apply for a Driver Privilege Card. At dmv.virginia.org, see Drivers / ID Cards > Get your Driver's License > Driver Privilege Card.
- Please do not teach your learner to drive!