



Powered Industrial Truck Operator Assessment Answer Key

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. When is it okay to travel forward on your powered industrial truck?
 - A. When the load is taller than the mast.
 - B. After you've given a few short blasts of the horn
 - C. *When you can see the aisle clearly without your load obstructing your view.*
 - D. All of the above.
2. When a powered industrial truck is left unattended, which of the following actions should be taken prior to leaving the powered industrial truck?
 - A. Neutralize controls
 - B. Set parking brake
 - C. Fully lower load
 - D. *All of the above*
3. A load should be carried:
 - A. All the way back and level.
 - B. All the way back and tilted slightly forward.
 - C. *All the way back and tilted slightly back.*
4. Powered industrial trucks have very poor traction on wet or slippery surfaces.
 - A. *True*
 - B. False



5. You should never permit anyone to stand or pass under elevated forks.
 - A. *True*
 - B. *False*
6. You should never leave your truck when the engine is running.
 - A. *True*
 - B. *False*
7. You are responsible for your actions at all times while operating a powered industrial truck.
 - A. *True*
 - B. *False*
8. A powered industrial lift truck is considered unattended when the operator is how far away?
 - A. 15 feet
 - B. *25 feet or any distance if the truck is out of sight*
 - C. 100 feet
 - D. any distance
9. You should do this at intersections and blind spots:
 - A. Drive on since you have the right of way.
 - B. *Slow down, look, sound horn, and then drive through.*
 - C. Slow down and sound horn.
10. What is considered a safe following distance for powered industrial trucks?
 - A. One powered industrial truck length.
 - B. Two powered industrial truck lengths.
 - C. *Three powered industrial truck lengths.*



11. You should never enter a trailer that appears unsafe, even if the driver says they used a powered industrial truck to load it.
 - A. *True*
 - B. *False*

12. If you are out of sight of your powered industrial truck, even if you are only ten feet away, it is considered unattended.
 - A. *True*
 - B. *False*

13. You should never carry more than two pallets at once with a powered industrial truck.
 - A. *True*
 - B. *False*

14. Even if your vision is partially obstructed by your load you can still travel forward.
 - A. *True*
 - B. *False*

15. Fire aisles, access to stairways and fire equipment should never be blocked by a powered industrial truck.
 - A. *True*
 - B. *False*

16. You do not have to wear safety glasses while operating a powered industrial truck since they tend to obstruct peripheral vision.
 - A. *True*
 - B. *False*



17. Stacking and unstacking must be done carefully because the higher you lift a load, the more unstable the powered industrial truck becomes.
- A. *True*
- B. *False*
18. A driver need not worry about the rear end swinging wide when the powered industrial truck is turning a corner.
- A. *True*
- B. *False*
19. The load should be carried against the backrest if possible.
- A. *True*
- B. *False*
20. Except when maneuvering at a very low speed, the steering wheel should be turned at a moderate, even rate.
- A. *True*
- B. *False*
21. One hand should be kept on the steering wheel at all times while the truck is in forward or reverse motion.
- A. *True*
- B. *False*
22. No one should be raised on the forks without the personnel cage.
- A. *True*
- B. *False*



23. When using the safety platform for lifting personnel, it is essential that it be securely fastened to the lifting carriage or forks.
- A. *True*
 - B. *False*
24. If the powered industrial truck you are operating starts to tip over, you should stay with the truck.
- A. *True*
 - B. *False*
25. Before entering a trailer with a powered industrial truck, the operator should check:
- A. To ensure that the trailer is chocked.
 - B. The dock boards and bridge plates.
 - C. The flooring in the trailer for weakness or holes.
 - D. *All of the above.*
26. Powered industrial trucks have the right of way over emergency vehicles.
- A. *True*
 - B. *False*
27. The rear end of a powered industrial truck will swing much wider than an automobile rear end would making the same maneuver.
- A. *True*
 - B. *False*



28. What are three examples of the wrong way to operate a powered industrial truck?

any of the following:

smoking

hands and feet outside vehicle

load is too heavy/overload

box on end of forks

forks not tilted back

box/load too high

seat belt not fastened

not paying attention/daydreaming

29. Anytime you leave the powered industrial truck you must fully lower the forks, neutralize the controls and set the parking brake.

A. *True*

B. *False*

30. A powered industrial truck turns in exactly the same manner as an automobile.

A. *True*

B. *False*

31. Which direction should you travel when going down a ramp with a load?

A. *Forward*

B. *Reverse*

C. *A and B*



32. It is not necessary to wear gloves while refueling a LP gas cylinder.
- A. True
 - B. *False*
33. There is no standard procedure for checking a powered industrial truck to be sure it is in good operating condition.
- A. True
 - B. *False*
34. If you have to cross an uneven surface such as railroad tracks, it is best to do it at an angle.
- A. *True*
 - B. False
35. The further forward on the forks you carry the load, the more weight you can carry.
- A. *True*
 - B. False
36. When descending or ascending grades, loaded trucks should be driven with the loads downgrade.
- A. True
 - B. *False*
37. How can you tell what the rated weight capacity is on a powered industrial truck?
- A. Ask the previous operator.
 - B. Since we do not have anything that is heavy, it doesn't matter.
 - C. *Check the lift data plate.*
 - D. A and B.



38. The reason a powered industrial truck turns so sharply is that it is front steering.
- A. True
 - B. *False*
39. It is okay to refuel the LP tank while it is still on the powered industrial truck.
- A. True
 - B. *False*
40. Pedestrians have the right of way inside the solid yellow lines.
- A. *True*
 - B. False