PRE-TRIP TEST STUDY GUIDE



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INTRODUCTION

Reading this study guide over and over will not teach you how to do a PT test. You must read it, understand it, learn how to use it, and then perhaps, the most important part, explain it to someone else. The more secure you convey your explanation, the more likely you are to get credit for the part. If you are unsecure about what you are explaining, the examiner may listen closer to make sure you don't miss something and be over-critical. If you blaze through it like you are reciting the alphabet, the examiner may not catch everything you say and not give you credit thinking you missed something. You must speak clearly, get to the point, touch or point at the part, then move on to the next part. If you realize you missed something, you may still come back to the part you already inspected and mention what you missed. If you are doing a good job explaining your PT, the examiner will be more likely to give you credit for it (is up to him though). Your inspection is only conducted on the driver side unless there is a specific part only found on the passenger side; this is more typical of part A as the engine bay has different components on either side. Do not remove any parts off the vehicle, simply touch them or point at them (most common item removed is the oil dipstick) Regardless of what type of inspection you get you must always perform the following:

- 1. Mention and show your safety equipment:
 - a. 3 working triangles,
 - b. fully charged and properly rated fire extinguisher, securely mounted to its bracket.
 - c. Spare fuses that are the correct size for the truck. Also, indicate the location of your fuse boxes (engine and cab)
- 2. You must perform an inspection of the **Coupling Section**. Refer to *Part B Catwalk Section* (page 4) for more information.
- 3. You must also do an In-cab inspection. This includes, seat belt, mirrors and glass, switches, gauges, air brake test, tug test and 5 MPH test

You can learn more if you team up in groups of 3 and one explains the PT while the other 2 listen. Take turns and help each other without berating (put down) or making fun of each other. Critiques must have the purpose of improving your PT knowledge not prove each other wrong. If you can't work with someone, choose a different partner. If you have a question about an item and your group cannot figure it out, write it down, then ask an instructor when he's teaching about Pre-trip or while on a break; not while in the middle of another subject. **If you are not able to pass an instructor exam, your driving privileges will be suspended until an instructor is satisfied with the way you explain your PT.** You must demonstrate knowledge on when the vehicle is safe to drive before you can drive it. This guide offers a *Wording* section and parts A, B and C of the Pre-Trip. For your skills test, you may get one of these 3 or you may get part D, which means you must do the ENTIRE Pre-trip. Use your "free-time" to study. There is no down time in truck driving. Your commitment to the program reflects your success.

WORDING

There are words or phrases you will repeat throughout the test; memorize these phrases so when it comes time to talk about a part, you know what to say. You will not get credit for the part if you fail to mention how you go about checking it. For example; you will not get credit if you say **"This is my mirror"**. You must say **"I'm checking my mirror. It is not cracked or broken; it has no illegal stickers, no nuts or bolts missing and is securely fastened to the mirror mount".**

If the part is	Say	Abbreviation
Metal	Not cracked, bent or broken. No illegal welds. No nuts	NCBB,NIW*,NNBM,SFT
	or bolts missing. Securely fastened to the	*Only for large items like rims and frames,
		not needed for small items.
Rubber	No abrasions, bulges or cuts. No leaks. No nuts or	NABC,NL,NNBM*,SMT
	bolts missing. Securely mounted to the	If the hoses have hose clamps. Some hoses
		have pressed fittings.
Plastic	Not cracked or broken. No sun damage.	NCB,NSD,(color),NNBM,SFT
	(red/amber/clear) in color. No nuts or bolts missing.	
	Securely fastened to the	
Electric cables	No rips tears frays or corrosion. No nuts or bolts	NRTFC,NNBM,SMT or SFT
	missing. Securely mounted to the	
Glass (Mirrors)	Not cracked or broken, no illegal stickers. No nuts or	NCB,NIS,NNBM,SFT or SMT
	bolts missing. Securely fastened to the	
Tires	Sidewall has no abrasions, bulges or cuts. Properly	SWNABC, PI(pressure)PSI, CTG, VS-NCB-NL,
	inflated to (pressure) PSI, Checked with a Tire Gauge,	EWA, (tire depth)TD
	Valve Stem is not Cracked or Bent and has No Leaks,	
	Top of the tire is Evenly Worn Across with at least	
	(tread depth) of tread depth.	

SFT or Securely Fastened To _____ means the part is held in place with nuts, bolts, cotter pins, rivets or other fastening devices. Removing the part requires tools and at separation from its mating part, it would generally come off undamaged.

SMT or Securely Mounted To _____ means the part is glued, welded, seated or otherwise attached by its own design. Removing the part could require deforming it, cutting it prying it or damaging in some way (like a tire or a windshield) but not in the case of a part that is designed to be removed on a regular basis (such as a fuel cap).

Be careful what you say something is securely mounted to or fasted to. A tire doesn't securely mount to the frame. Think about what you say. Not everything is "Securely Fastened To the <u>Frame</u>."

Common misnomers. In our program, we call the front axle of the tractor the "steers". The wheels in the catwalk area are called the "drives". Finally, we call the trailer wheels the "tandem". However, here are the proper names of these items and the wheel positions:

A TIRE and a RIM make a *WHEEL*. Two WHEELS bolted together (duals) make a *WHEEL SET*. Two WHEELS or WHEEL SETS mounted in a row to either side of the vehicle along with their brakes and suspension items make an *AXLE*. Two or more AXLES grouped together make a *TANDEM*. A semi-truck/trailer combination has one steer axle, one drive (or power) tandem and one trailer tandem. It's called a *"SEMI"* because a *semi-trailer* needs the drive tandem to support the full load; one tandem alone cannot carry the payload. Meanwhile, a regular *trailer* (like a boat trailer or camping trailer) can support its full load on its own axle(s). The tractor alone is called *"bobtail"*.

COUPLING SECTION



	THIS SECTION IS TO BE INSPECTED ALWAYS, REGARDLESS OF THE INSPECTION YOU GET				
	(A,B,C or D) Electrical Line				
		Plastic			
Electric	Checking my socket on the cab side		NCB,NNBM,SMT(Cab outlet)		
ilect	Checking my Electric cord (green)	Cable	NRTFC,NNBM,SMF(Sockets)		
щ	Checking my socket on the trailer side	Plastic	NCB,NNBM,SMT(Trailer receiver)		
			ou'd do the same one as you did the other)		
	Checking the fittings on the cab side	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(Cab)		
	Checking my air line	Rubber	NABC,NL,NNBM,SMT(fittings)		
es	Checking my glad hands (Air Line side)	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SMT(Glad hand receivers		
Airlines			on the trailer)		
Ai	*Checking my glad hand grommets	Rubber	Properly seated in the glad hand ,no chunks		
			missing.		
	Checking my glad hands (Trailer side)	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SMT(Headboard)		
	King pin /	/ Gap /	Fifth wheel		
KP	Checking my apron	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SMT(trailer body)		
Х	Checking my king pin	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SMT(apron)		
	Checking for no Gap (This is NOT a part,		Between the 5 th wheel and the apron should be		
Gap	this is a condition)		no space. Trailer should sit firmly on the fifth		
Ŭ			wheel		
	Checking my skid plate	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(platform)		
	Checking the release handle and safety	Metal	No springs are broken or missing,		
	latch mechanism		NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(fifth wheel). Safety latch		
el			is built into the design of the mechanism.		
Vhe	Checking my locking jaw	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(fifth wheel)		
Fifth Wheel	Checking my platform	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)		
Fifi	**Checking my slider mechanism and	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SF(between 5 th wheel and		
	locking pins		frame), properly seated and locked.		
	Checking my mounting bolts	Metal	None missing, no shiny streaks, properly		
			tightened		
	End of Coupling Section **Some truck	s do not h	5		
	Continue to Part A, B or C				

PART A (From firewall forward, around engine bay)



	Check paperwork and show emergency equipment				
	Go to COUPLING SECTION (Page 4) before continuing below				
	Stand in front of the vehicle to begin inspection				
	Check under the vehicle for evidence of leaks such as puddles or stains		Also make sure the vehicle is not leaning to once side for evidence of suspension issues.		
		Lights	S		
ts	Checking my Left and right turn signals	Plastic	NCB,NSD,(amber),NNBM,SFT(Housing)		
Lights	Checking my L/R Low and high beams	Plastic	NCB,NSD,(clear),NNBM,SFT(Housing)		
Ľ	Checking my clearance lights	Plastic	NCB,NSD,(amber),NNBM,SFT(visor)		
	I'm going to open my hood to begin my		Open the hood, turn steers to the left to		
	engine bay inspection		facilitate inspection		
	STER	ER AXLE S			
		Whee	s		
	Checking my steer tire	Rubber	SWNABC, PI120PSI, CTG, VS-NCB-NL,		
s			EWA,4/32TD		
Wheels	Checking my rim	Metal	NCBB,NIW,SFT(axle)		
Vh	Checking my lug nuts	Metal	None missing, no rust trails, no deformation		
			(oval-shape), no shiny treads		
	Checking my hub seals	Plastic	No leaks, NCB,NNBM,SFT(axle)		
	Brakes				
	*Checking my brake drum (***rotor)	Metal	Not deformed, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SMT(axle)		
	*Checking my brake shoes (***pads)	Metal	NCBB, Not worn too thin, no oil, grease or		
es			debris, NNBM,SMT(axle)		
Brakes	Checking my slack adjuster and pushrod	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(axle) Slack adjuster has		
Bı	(***brake caliper)		no more than 1" of play w/ brakes released		
	Checking my brake chamber	Metal	No air leaks, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(axle)		
	Checking my brake air lines	Rubber	NABC,NL,NNBM,SMT(brake chamber)		
		Suspens	ion		
	checking my U-bolts	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(leaf-springs)		
Suspension	Checking my leaf springs	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(leaf-spring mounts)		
Suc	*Checking my bushings	Rubber	No cracks or chunks missing, NNBM,SMT(to		
spe			the leaf-spring and leaf-spring mount)		
Su:	Checking my leaf spring mounts	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)		
	Checking my shocks	Metal	Not leaking, NNBM, SFT(frame)		

	Steering			
	Checking my Steering Linkage (pitman arm, tie rod, draglink, steering knuckle)	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(axle)	
	Checking my power steering box	Metal	No leaks, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(Frame)	
ing	Checking my related hoses	Rubber	NABC,NL,NNBM,SMT(box)	
Steering	Checking my related hose clamps	Metal	Properly mounted and tightened, NNBM,SMT(box)	
	Checking my power steering rod	Metal	No more than 1 inch of play, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(box)	
	ENGINI	E AND AC	CCESSORIES	
	Checking my engine oil level	Fluid	Pull out, clean, reinsert, pull out, obtain reading. No evidence of leaks	
	Checking my power steering reservoir fluid level	Fluid	Pull out, clean, reinsert, pull out, obtain reading. SFT(Frame). Power steering pump is gear driven, NCBB, NL, SFT(Engine)	
	Checking my related hoses	Rubber	NABC,NL,NNBM,SFT(Reservoir and pump)	
Si	Checking my air compressor	Metal	NCBB,NL,NIW,NNBM,SFT(engine). Compressor is gear driven	
ssorie	Checking my related hoses	Rubber	NABC,NL,NNBM,SFT(Compressor)	
Engine and Accessories	**Checking my coolant level	Fluid	Check level through plastic or sight glass. Properly filled.	
ie and	**Checking my related hoses	Rubber	NABC,NL,NNBM,SFT(Reservoir, radiator and engine)	
Engin	**Water pump	Metal	Belt driven, no more than ³ 4" play, NCBB,NL,NIW,NNBM,SFT(engine)	
	Checking my alternator	Metal	Belt driven, no more than ³ 4" play, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(engine)	
	Checking my related cables	Cables	NRTFC,NNBM,SMT(alternator)	
	*Checking my batteries	Plastic	No corrosion around terminals, no leaks, NCB, NNBM, SFT(battery box)	
	*Checking my air tanks	Metal	No leaks, NCBB,NIW, NNBM, SFT(Frame)	
	Checking my fuse box	Plastic	NCB,NNBM,SFT(firewall) *Check for	
	Dressed to "In	a a ha Tao ana a	corrosion or signs a burn out fuse	
	Proceed to "In " *Means the item may not be accessible or too far	cab inspe	You can say "If I could check my, I would then	
	out of reach to point or touch OR it could be		proceed to explain how to check the item even if you	
	located under part B of the inspection.		cannot reach it or see it.	
<u> </u>	**Means the item may be located on the		You can wait until you walk around the passenger	
1	passenger side of the engine bay		side of the vehicle to talk about this item.	
	***This part is the equivalent of drum brake		If you check a brake system that has drum brakes use	
	systems to disc brake systems		the regular words. For disc brake systems, use the words in parenthesis	

 $PART\;B$ (From firewall back to the mud flap of the tractor)



	Check paperwork and show emergency equipment			
	Go to COUPLING SECTION (Page 4) before continuing below			
	DRIVE AXLE SECTION			
	Wheels			
	Checking my tires	Tires	SWNABC, PI120PSI, CTG, VS-NCB-NL, EWA, 2/32TD	
	Checking my rim	Metal	NCBB,NIW,SMT(axle)	
Wheels	Checking my lug nuts		None missing, no rust trails, no deformation (oval-shape), no shiny treads	
A	*Checking my hub or axle seal	Plastic	No leaks, NCB,NNBM,SFT(axle)	
	*Checking the space between the wheels (this is NOT a part is a condition)		They're evenly spaced with no debris between them	
	You don't have to check all the wheels, in the axle or tandem		Just mention that you would do the same for all other wheels	
		Brake		
	*Checking my brake drum (rotor)	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SMT(axle)	
s	*Checking my brake shoes (pads)	Metal	NCBB, Not worn too thin, no oil, grease or debris, NNBM,SMT(axle)	
Brakes	*Checking my slack adjuster and pushrod (brake caliper)	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SMT(axle)	
	Checking my brake chamber	Metal	No air leaks, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SMT(axle)	
	Checking my brake air lines	Rubber	NRTH,NLA,NNBM,SMT(brake chamber)	
		uspens		
	checking my U-bolts	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(torque arm and axle)	
	Checking my torque arm	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(torque arm mounts)	
ion	*Checking my bushings	Rubber	No cracks or chunks missing,	
Suspension		Matal	NNBM,SMT(torque arm and mount)	
dsn	Checking my torque arm mount	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)	
S	Checking my shocks	Metal	Not leaking, NNBM, SFT(frame)	
	Checking my air bags	Rubber	NABC,NL,NNBM,SFT(air bag mounts)	
	Checking my air bag mounts	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)	

	DOOR AND SID	E OF T	HE CAB SECTION
	Checking my steps	Metal	They can hold my weight, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)
p	Checking my door (demonstrate operation)	Metal	Proper operation, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)
Door and side of the cab	Checking my door seals	Rubber	No chunks missing, NRTH,SMT(door) (close the door
le of	Checking my door mirror	Glass	NCB,NIS,NNBM,SFT(mirror mount)
l sic	Checking my mirror mounts	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(door)
or and	Checking my side marker light/turn signal/hazard	Plastic	NCB,NSD,(amber),NNBM,SFT (door/mirror/frame)
DC	Repeat for any other lights		Know their function and then use wording to indicate what you check
	Checking my utility door	Metal	Operates properly NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)
	UNDER THE CAB	AND C	ATWALK SECTION
	Checking my fuel tank	Metal	NCBB,NIW, checking my fuel bands, NNBM,SFT(frame), checking under tank for fuel leaks
Under the cab area and Catwalk	Checking my fuel cap	Metal	No leaks, NCBB, NIW, gasket seal is present No chunks missing, SMT(tank)
nd C	*Checking my batteries	Mix	Refer to Part A, page 6 for instructions
a ar	Checking my Exhaust System	Metal	No leaks, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)
are	Checking my driveshaft	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(driveline)
cab	Checking my main frame	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM
er the	Checking my catwalk	Metal	It can hold my weight, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)
Und	Checking my catwalk steps	Metal	It can hold my weight, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)
	Checking my splashguard	Plastic	No missing pieces NCB,NNBM,SFT(frame)
	Checking my mud flap	Rubber	No chunks missing, NNBM, SFT(Frame)
	REAR L	IGHTS	SECTION
	Checking my tail lights	Plastic	NCB,NSD,(Red),NNBM,SFT(Frame)
Lights	Checking my brake lights	Plastic	My tail lights also serve as my brake lights
Lig	Checking my turn signals	Plastic	My tail lights also serve as my turn signals
	Checking my hazard lights	Plastic	My tail lights also serve as my hazard lights
	Proceed to "In cab In	nspecti	
	*Means the item may not be accessible or too far out of reach to point or touch		You can say "If I could check my, I would then proceed to explain how to check the item even if you cannot reach it or see it.

PART C (From the front of trailer, including coupling section to the tail of the trailer)

Ch Side Section Ch Ch Ch Ch Ch	Go to COUPLING SECTION FRONT OF necking my headboard necking my front clearance lights (top of ailer) SIDE OF necking my trailer box necking my reflective tape necking my landing gear and cross embers	I (Page TRAIL Metal	A) before continuing below 4) before continuing below ER SECTION NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(trailer body) NCB,NSD,(amber),NNBM,SFT(body of the trailer) R SECTION R SECTION No damage or holes Body panels NCBB,NIW,NNBM, SFT(frame) No missing pieces, SFT(trailer body) NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)		
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Ch Ch Ch Ch Ch	SIDE OF necking my trailer box necking my reflective tape necking my landing gear and cross embers	Metal	R SECTION No damage or holes Body panels NCBB,NIW,NNBM, SFT(frame) No missing pieces, SFT(trailer body)		
Side Section HO HO Ch	necking my trailer box necking my reflective tape necking my landing gear and cross embers	Metal	No damage or holes Body panels NCBB,NIW,NNBM, SFT(frame) No missing pieces, SFT(trailer body)		
Side Section HO HO Side Section	necking my reflective tape necking my landing gear and cross embers		NCBB,NIW,NNBM, SFT(frame) No missing pieces, SFT(trailer body)		
AD Side Secti me Ch	necking my landing gear and cross embers	Metal	No missing pieces, SFT(trailer body)		
Side Secti Bude Secti	necking my landing gear and cross embers	Metal			
	embers	Metal	NCBB NIW NNBM SFT(frame)		
	1				
Ch	necking my side marker light	Plastic	NCB,NSD,(amber),NNBM,SFT(trailer body)		
	necking my hazard/turn signal light	Plastic	My side maker light also serves as my		
			hazard/turn signal		
	TRAILER AXLES SECTION				
	Wheels				
Ch	necking my tires	Tires	SWNABC, PI110PSI, CTG, VS-NCB-NL, EWA, 2/32TD		
Ch	necking my rim	Metal	NCBB,NIW,SMT(axle)		
Ch	necking my lug nuts		None missing, no rust trails, no deformation		
Wheels			(oval-shape), no shiny treads		
	Checking my hub or axle seal	Plastic	No leaks, NCB,NNBM,SFT(axle)		
	necking the gap between the drives (this		They're evenly spaced with no debris		
	NOT a part is a condition)		between them		
	ou don't have to check all the wheels, in		Just mention that you would do the same for		
the	e axle or tandem		all other wheels		
		Brake			
	hecking my brake drum (rotor)	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(axle)		
	hecking my brake shoes (pads)	Metal	NCBB, Not worn too thin, no oil, grease or		
kes		N - 1	debris, NNBM,SMT(axle)		
H	necking my slack adjuster and pushrod prake caliper)	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(axle)		
Ch	necking my brake chamber	Metal	No air leaks, NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(axle)		
Ch	necking my brake air lines	Rubber	NABC,NL,NNBM,SMT(brake chamber)		

	Suspension				
	Checking my axle cross member	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(u-bolts)		
	Checking my U-bolts	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(leaf-springs)		
	*Checking my leaf springs/torque arm	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(leaf-spring mounts)		
uc	Checking my bushings	Rubber	No cracks or chunks missing,		
Suspension			NNBM,SMT(leaf-springs)		
spe	*Checking my leaf spring/torque arm	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)		
Su	mounts				
	Checking my shocks	Metal	Not leaking, NNBM, SFT(frame)		
	*Checking my air bags	Rubber	NABC,NL,NNBM,SFT(air bag mounts)		
	*Checking my air bag mounts	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)		
	Slide	er box S	ection		
	Checking my mud flap	Rubber	No chunks missing, NNBM,SFT(Frame)		
	Checking my Frame	Rubber	NCBB,NIW,NNBM		
Slider box	Checking my slider box and tandem	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM, Pins hold the box and the		
ler	release		frame securely		
Slic	Checking my door safety hook	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(trailer body)		
	*Checking my ABS light	Plastic	NCB,NSD,(amber),NNBM,SFT(trailer body)		
	Checking my rear (side) clearance light	Plastic	NCB,NSD,(Red),NNBM,SFT(trailer body)		
			ER SECTION		
	Rear lights				
ş	Checking my rear clearance lights (top)	Plastic	NCB,NSD,(Red),NNBM,SFT(trailer body)		
Rear Lights	Checking my tail lights	Plastic	NCB,NSD,(Red),NNBM,SFT(Frame)		
ır Li	Checking my brake lights	Plastic	My tail lights also serve as my brake lights		
Rea	Checking my turn signals	Plastic	My tail lights also serve as my turn signals		
	Checking my hazard lights	Plastic	My tail lights also serve as my hazard lights		
		Doors			
S	Checking my door	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(Frame)		
Doors	Checking my door hooks / chain	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(door)		
Dc	Checking my reflective tape	Plastic	No missing pieces, SMT(trailer body)		
	**Checking my lift gate mechanism	Metal	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(frame)		
	**Means the item may not be accessible or too far		You can say "If I could check my, I would then proceed to explain how to check the item even if you		
	out of reach to point or touch or may be non- existent. If it doesn't exist, omit talking about it.		cannot reach it or see it.		
		n and ai	rbags instead of leaf springs. If an item is not		
	present, you do not need to mention it. Only		0 1 0		
	Proceed to "In cab Inspection" Page 11 & 12				

	IN-CAB INSPECTION (Always performed, after doing Parts A, B, C or D)					
	Pre-Ignition and glass inspection					
	Use 3-point contact, get in the cab behind the	Check for paperwork of vehicle. (Registration-				
	wheel	Cab card, Inspection, Insurance, IFTA permit)				
	Checking my fuse box and fuses. (show location)	Check for corrosion or signs a burn out fuse				
	Checking my seat belt	No rips or tears				
	Checking my seat belt mounts	NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(Cab)				
	Checking my seat belt receiver	Fastens properly NCBB,NIW,NNBM,SFT(floorboard)				
	Checking my mirrors	Properly adjusted for my seating position NCB,NIS				
	Checking my windshield and windows	Clean, NCB,NIS,SMT(Frame/door)				
		Safe Start, gauge cluster inspection				
heck	Turning my key on	Before starting the engine, I'm checking to see all my gauges sweep which indicates they are in proper working order				
gauge check	With parking brake on and transmission in neutral. I'm doing a safe start	Check my gauges individually for proper working range				
	Checking my oil pressure gauge	Reads in proper working range				
Safe start and	Checking my water temperature gauge	Reads in proper working range (if engine is cold, it will read below but should raise as engine warms)				
sta	Checking my volt meter gauge	Reads in proper working range				
fe	Primary/Secondary air tank gauges	Reads in proper working range				
Sa	Other gauges (Varies by truck)	You may have other gauges not listed here. Be				
		familiar with them and ensure they're in range				
	Switches	and Accessories				
1g	Activating switch to demonstrate operation	ASDO				
Wording	Switch is in working condition / Switch and light are in working condition	SWC, SLWC				
	Checking my parking light switch	ASDO, SWC, "Cluster also illuminates"				
	Checking my headlight switch	ASDO, SWC				
S	Checking my high beams switch and light	Pull the stalk upwards and point at the blue headlight ASDO, SLWC				
orie	Checking my turn signal stalk and left signal	Point at blinking arrow "Moving the stalk down,				
SSC	light	activates my left blinker, ASDO, SLWC				
cce	Checking my turn signal stalk and right	Point at blinking arrow "Moving the stalk up,				
Ad	signal light	activates my right blinker", ASDO, SLWC				
pu	Checking my hazard signals switch	Point at hazard lights ASDO, SLWC,				
SS SS	Checking my windshield wipers	ASDO, SWC, wipers are not worn or with chunks of				
ch€		rubber missing, clean properly and SMT(frame)				
Switches and Accessories	Checking my windshield washer fluid spray	ASDO, SWC, mister sprays evenly across windshield				
Sı	Checking my defroster and heater	ASDO, SWC. Reach the vents and verify air flows				
		evenly towards the windshield				
	Checking my air horn (highway horn)	ASDO, SWC "Emits the proper sound"				
	Checking my electric horn (city horn)	ASDO, SWC "Emits the proper sound"				
		the next page with the Air Brake Test				
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IN-CAB INSPECTION (Always performed, after doing Parts A, B, C or D)

	B	Block the wheels	Place chocks in the front and back of left steer
	R	Raise to 110 – 120 PSI	Start the engine and raise the air
	11		pressure to 110 psi or above, listen for
			the compressor cutoff.
dn			
Setup	Α	Air valves	Push the red and yellow air valves in, this
0,	• •		RELEASES the brakes (hence the chocks)
	K	Kill the engine	Turn the key off to stop the engine
	E	Electric only	Without restarting the engine, turn the
	Ľ		key back to "ON" and allow the gauges to
			do an electric sweep.
	S	Static test 3PSI/min	Without touching anything, no pressure
	J		loss greater than 3PSI/minute is allowed
	A	Applied test 4 PSI/min	Press the service brake, no pressure loss
	П		greater than 4PSI/minute is allowed
st	L	Low air test. On before 60 PSI	Pump the service brake, the alarm should
Te			come on before the pressure drops
ke			below 60 PSI
Brake Test	E	Emergency test. On between 20-45 PSI	Continue pumping, the air valves should
			pop out when the pressure goes between
			20 and 45 PSI
	S	Start truck 100 PSI in 90 seconds	Restart the engine and accelerate truck
	0		to 1000 RPMs to rebuild air pressure. Put
			away your chocks
		Tug Tests and	
		Parking brakes test	"Valves are out so parking brakes are set.
			I will attempt to move the vehicle and it
			should not go forward" Put truck in drive
		Two story Douling Surplus to -1	and gently try to move.
Tug Tests		Tractor Parking brake test	"I will release the parking brakes on
Ţ		(Evaluin the test then newform estimate	trailer only (red valve in), I will attempt
lug		(Explain the test, then perform action described)	to move the vehicle and it should not go forward. Tractor brakes hold"
		Trailer brakes test (You reverse the valves,	"I will release the parking brakes on
		pull the red one and push the yellow one)	tractor only (yellow valve in), I will
		(Explain the test, then perform action	attempt to move the vehicle and it should
		described)	not go forward. Trailer brakes hold"
		5 MPH Test	"I will release both brakes, and drive forward
MPH		(Explain the test, then perform action	to 5 MPH, I will apply my service brake,
5 M		described)	vehicle stops without pulling to either side.
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AIR BRAKE TEST AND TUG TEST (Begin without a prompt from the examiner)