

SOFTWARE

DRIVING REFERENCE

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Pass Your Driving Test

Gem: 01279 822822

Driving Reference Software

Available: Now

Street Price: £29.99

Absolute Entertainment is a new entry into the non-games software market and Pass Your Driving Test Safely Step by Step is the firm's first product, taking aim at the popular Driving Test Success range from Focus Multimedia. The key difference being that Pass Your Driving Test is a two CD full price title which Absolute claims offers all of the functionality of the Driving Test Success range.

The software presents a straightforward Shockwave driven interface with 16 numbered sections on the

tutorials CD. Each section has a number of headings and clicking on these reveals text in a scrolling box and a video automatically plays if relevant. The videos are well produced and good quality although there's no easy way to rewind them.

PDFs are provided of the Highway Code and section notes, allowing easy printing of the main points in the tutorials while the second CD provides trial runs of the theory test based upon the real DVLA question set and the official DVLA hazard perception videos.

Barring some minor niggles such as the annoying intro anims and ability to launch the same application twice, resulting in a

weird echo sound effect, ultimately Pass Your Driving Test does deliver comprehensive tutorial and revision aids for passing the driving test. Ford branding is extensive in the package but the Fiesta used in all the tutorials seems a good choice of vehicle to base them on.

The software's ease of use and light system demands ought to cause no returns problems while providing a single high quality DVD-packed title in the popular driving reference genre. PC Retail gives a thumbs up for Pass Your Driving Test and hopes to see more software of this quality in the non-games sector.

