

British Road Speak

You own a British car so you certainly know what a bonnet and a boot are, but would you know what these things are that you might find on or near a British road?

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| 1 - A zebra | 11 - An artic |
| 2 - A panda | 12 - A caravan |
| 3 - A Belisher beacon | 13 - A rozzer |
| 4 - A dual carriageway | 14 - The old Bill |
| 5 - A central reservation | 15 - A pillar box |
| 6 - A Gatso | 16 - The Tube |
| 7 - The pavement | 17 - A milk float |
| 8 - Cats eyes | 18 - A flyover |
| 9 - A lorry | 19 - A level -crossing |
| 10 - A juggernaut | 20 - A lay -by |

Answers below.

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- 1 - A pedestrian crosswalk, the zebra referring to the stripes on the pavement.
- 2 - A pedestrian crossing controlled with traffic signals and marked by triangles.
- 3 - An orange flashing globe mounted on a pole close to a zebra crossing. Named after Leslie Hore -Belisher, the 4 - British Minister of Transport who introduced the crossing in 1934.
- 4 - A divided highway.
- 5 - The median strip of a divided highway.
- 6 - A fixed, radar -triggered speed or traffic signal camera, named after the manufacturer, the Dutch Gatosmeter BV company.
- 7 - The sidewalk. When referring to the pavement, the British use 'road surface'.
- 8 - Pairs of rubber encased reflectors running down the center of the road to facilitate night driving. Not practical where we live because they are not snow - plow friendly.
- 9 - A heavy truck.
- 10 - A big-rig.
- 11 - An articulated lorry, or tractor/semi -trailer rig.
- 12 - A residential trailer.
- 13 - A police officer.
- 14 - The police.
- 15 - A red circular mailbox.
- 16 - The London underground subway system.
- 17 - A very quiet electric vehicle for delivery milk to homes in the early morning.
- 18 - An overpass.
- 19 - A railroad crossing.
- 20 - A pull-off at the side of the road.