

PRACTICE EXAM 2: A8 SIMULATION

— ENGINE PERFORMANCE

1. The proper purpose of the four-stroke combustion cycle is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the engine
- B. Convert fuel energy to mechanical motion through intake, compression, power, and exhaust strokes
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

2. The proper sequence of the four engine strokes is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the engine as a precaution
- C. Visually inspect for visible damage only
- D. Intake, compression, power, exhaust

3. The proper purpose of the intake stroke is to:

- A. Draw the air-fuel mixture into the cylinder as the piston moves down
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the intake valve as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

4. The proper purpose of the compression stroke is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the cylinder
- B. Replace the engine as a precaution
- C. Compress the air-fuel mixture as the piston moves up, increasing temperature and pressure
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

5. The proper purpose of the power stroke is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the engine as a precaution
- C. Replace the spark plugs as a precaution
- D. Generate force on the piston from combustion as the piston moves down

6. The proper purpose of the exhaust stroke is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Expel combustion gases from the cylinder as the piston moves up
- C. Replace the exhaust valve as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

7. The proper purpose of volumetric efficiency in an engine is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the engine as a precaution
- C. Measure how completely a cylinder fills with air-fuel mixture during the intake stroke
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

8. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of reduced engine performance. The MOST likely cause of reduced volumetric efficiency is:

- A. Restricted air intake, restricted exhaust, valve timing issues, or compression issues
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

9. The proper procedure for diagnosing reduced engine breathing is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the engine as a precaution
- C. Replace the spark plugs as a precaution
- D. Verify the concern, inspect intake and exhaust restrictions, verify proper valve operation

10. A vehicle equipped with VVT (variable valve timing) has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of VVT is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Adjust valve timing based on engine conditions to optimize performance, fuel economy, and emissions
- C. Replace the system as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

11. The proper procedure for diagnosing VVT system faults is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the VVT system as a precaution
- C. Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor scan data for cam position, identify the cause

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

12. A vehicle equipped with cam phasing has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of cam phasing is to:

A. Vary cam timing to optimize valve opening and closing relative to piston position

B. Apply compressed air to the system

C. Replace the cam phaser as a precaution

D. Filter contaminants from the system

13. The proper procedure for diagnosing cam phaser faults is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the cam phaser

B. Replace the cam phaser as a precaution

C. Replace the engine as a precaution

D. Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor cam position scan data, identify the cause

14. A vehicle equipped with cylinder deactivation has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of cylinder deactivation is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Disable selected cylinders during light loads to improve fuel economy

C. Replace the system as a precaution

D. Filter contaminants from the system

15. The proper procedure for diagnosing cylinder deactivation faults is to:

A. Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor scan data for cylinder operation, identify the cause

- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the cylinder deactivation system as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

16. A vehicle equipped with a turbocharger has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of a turbocharger is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the turbocharger as a precaution
- C. Use exhaust energy to drive a compressor that increases intake air pressure for power
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

17. The proper procedure for diagnosing turbocharger faults is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the turbocharger
- B. Replace the turbocharger as a precaution
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor boost pressure, inspect for leaks, identify the cause

18. A vehicle equipped with a supercharger has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of a supercharger is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Use mechanical drive from the engine to compress intake air for power
- C. Replace the supercharger as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

19. The proper procedure for diagnosing supercharger faults is to:

- A. Verify the concern, monitor boost pressure, inspect drive system, identify the cause
- B. Apply compressed air to the supercharger
- C. Replace the supercharger as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

20. A vehicle equipped with an intercooler has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of an intercooler is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the intercooler
- B. Replace the intercooler as a precaution
- C. Cool compressed intake air to increase density and reduce detonation risk
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

21. The proper procedure for diagnosing intercooler faults is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the intercooler
- B. Replace the intercooler as a precaution
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Verify the concern, inspect for leaks, verify proper airflow, identify the cause

22. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of low boost pressure. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Boost leak, faulty wastegate, faulty turbocharger, or sensor fault
- C. Replace the turbocharger as a precaution

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

23. The proper procedure for diagnosing low boost pressure is to:

A. Verify the concern, monitor boost pressure, inspect for leaks, identify the cause

B. Apply compressed air to the system

C. Replace the turbocharger as a precaution

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

24. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of overboost. The MOST likely cause is:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Replace the turbocharger as a precaution

C. Faulty wastegate, faulty boost control solenoid, or PCM control issue

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

25. The proper procedure for diagnosing overboost is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Replace the wastegate as a precaution

C. Replace the turbocharger as a precaution

D. Verify the concern, monitor boost pressure and wastegate operation, identify the cause

26. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of detonation/knock. The MOST likely cause is:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Excessive compression ratio, ignition timing advance, lean mixture, low octane fuel, or carbon buildup

- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

27. The proper procedure for diagnosing engine knock is to:

- A. Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor knock sensor activity, identify the cause
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

28. A vehicle's knock sensor has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of a knock sensor is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the sensor
- B. Replace the sensor as a precaution
- C. Detect engine knock vibrations and signal the PCM to retard timing
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

29. The proper procedure for testing a knock sensor is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the sensor
- B. Monitor scan data for knock sensor activity, induce light tapping near the sensor, observe response
- C. Replace the sensor as a precaution
- D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

30. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of pre-ignition. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Carbon buildup, hot spots in the cylinder, incorrect spark plug heat range, or cooling system issues
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

31. The proper procedure for diagnosing pre-ignition is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the spark plugs as a precaution
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Verify the concern, identify hot spots and carbon buildup, identify the cause

32. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of dieseling (engine continues to run after key off). The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Carbon buildup, hot spots in cylinders, or fuel system issue
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

33. The proper purpose of an engine air filter is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the filter as a precaution
- C. Filter incoming air to prevent debris from entering the engine

D. Filter contaminants from the brake fluid

34. The proper procedure for testing engine air filter condition is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the filter

B. Visually inspect for restrictions, measure pressure drop if applicable, replace per spec

C. Replace the filter as a precaution

D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

35. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of restricted intake airflow. The MOST likely cause is:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Replace the air intake as a precaution

C. Replace the engine as a precaution

D. Restricted air filter, intake duct restriction, or throttle body issue

36. The proper procedure for diagnosing intake restriction is to:

A. Verify the concern, inspect air filter and intake ducting, verify throttle body operation

B. Apply compressed air to the system

C. Replace the air intake system as a precaution

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

37. A vehicle's throttle body has been brought in for service. The proper purpose of the throttle body is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the throttle body

B. Replace the throttle body as a precaution

- C. Control airflow into the engine based on driver input or PCM control
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

38. The proper procedure for diagnosing throttle body issues is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the throttle body
- B. Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor TPS data, identify the cause
- C. Replace the throttle body as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

39. A vehicle equipped with electronic throttle control (ETC) has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of ETC is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the throttle body
- B. Replace the ETC as a precaution
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Use a sensor and motor to control throttle position based on PCM commands

40. The proper procedure for diagnosing ETC faults is to:

- A. Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor scan data for throttle position, identify the cause
- B. Apply compressed air to the throttle body
- C. Replace the ETC as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

41. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint that the throttle does not respond properly to driver input. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the throttle body as a precaution
- C. Faulty TPS, faulty accelerator pedal sensor, ETC fault, or PCM control issue
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

42. A vehicle's intake manifold has been brought in for inspection. The proper purpose of the intake manifold is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the manifold
- B. Distribute air or air-fuel mixture from the throttle body to the cylinders
- C. Replace the manifold as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

43. The proper procedure for diagnosing intake manifold leaks is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the manifold
- B. Replace the manifold as a precaution
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution
- D. Use smoke testing or vacuum gauge to identify leak sources

44. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of high HC emissions. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Misfire, rich fuel mixture, oil consumption, or catalyst issue
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the engine as a precaution

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

45. The proper procedure for diagnosing high HC emissions is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Replace the affected components as a precaution

C. Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, identify the source, address the cause

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

46. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of high CO emissions. The MOST likely cause is:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Rich fuel mixture from sensor failure, fuel pressure issue, or injector issue

C. Replace the engine as a precaution

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

47. The proper procedure for diagnosing high CO emissions is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Replace the affected components as a precaution

C. Replace the engine as a precaution

D. Verify the concern, monitor fuel trims, identify rich mixture cause, address the cause

48. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of high NOx emissions. The MOST likely cause is:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Replace the engine as a precaution

- C. EGR system fault, lean mixture, or engine cooling issue
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

49. The proper procedure for diagnosing high NOx emissions is to:

- A. Verify the concern, monitor EGR operation, identify the cause, address the cause
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the affected components as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

50. The proper purpose of OBD-II monitor readiness is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Indicate which OBD-II monitors have completed their diagnostic tests
- C. Replace the PCM as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

PRACTICE EXAM 2: A8 SIMULATION

— ANSWER KEY, EXPLANATIONS, AND TASK REMEDIATION

1. B — Convert fuel energy to mechanical motion through intake, compression, power, and exhaust strokes. The four-stroke cycle is the foundation of internal combustion. Each stroke performs a specific function in the energy conversion process. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
2. D — Intake, compression, power, exhaust. The four strokes occur in this fixed sequence. Each stroke depends on the previous one for proper engine operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
3. A — Draw the air-fuel mixture into the cylinder as the piston moves down. The intake stroke fills the cylinder with combustible mixture. The intake valve opens as the piston creates negative pressure. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
4. C — Compress the air-fuel mixture as the piston moves up, increasing temperature and pressure. Compression prepares the mixture for combustion. Both valves are closed during this stroke. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
5. D — Generate force on the piston from combustion as the piston moves down. The power stroke produces the engine's mechanical output. Combustion forces the piston down with significant force. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
6. B — Expel combustion gases from the cylinder as the piston moves up. The exhaust stroke clears the cylinder for the next cycle. The exhaust valve opens to release combustion products. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
7. C — Measure how completely a cylinder fills with air-fuel mixture during the intake stroke. Volumetric efficiency reflects engine breathing capability. Higher efficiency produces more power. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
8. A — Restricted air intake, restricted exhaust, valve timing issues, or compression issues. Reduced volumetric efficiency has multiple potential causes. Each affects the cylinder's ability to fill properly. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
9. D — Verify the concern, inspect intake and exhaust restrictions, verify proper valve operation. Engine breathing diagnosis requires systematic verification of all flow paths. Each potential

restriction must be evaluated. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*

10. B — Adjust valve timing based on engine conditions to optimize performance, fuel economy, and emissions. VVT provides condition-specific valve timing optimization. The system operates differently based on engine load and RPM. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
11. C — Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor scan data for cam position, identify the cause. VVT diagnosis requires scan tool integration. Cam position data reveals proper or improper operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
12. A — Vary cam timing to optimize valve opening and closing relative to piston position. Cam phasing provides timing flexibility. The phaser advances or retards cam position based on PCM commands. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
13. D — Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor cam position scan data, identify the cause. Cam phaser diagnosis requires scan tool integration. Position data reveals proper or improper operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
14. B — Disable selected cylinders during light loads to improve fuel economy. Cylinder deactivation reduces fuel consumption under light loads. The system operates only specified cylinders during light load conditions. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
15. A — Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor scan data for cylinder operation, identify the cause. Cylinder deactivation diagnosis requires scan tool integration. Cylinder activation status reveals proper or improper operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
16. C — Use exhaust energy to drive a compressor that increases intake air pressure for power. The turbocharger uses waste exhaust energy. The compressor side increases intake density for additional power. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
17. D — Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor boost pressure, inspect for leaks, identify the cause. Turbocharger diagnosis requires scan tool integration and physical inspection. Boost pressure data reveals system function. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
18. B — Use mechanical drive from the engine to compress intake air for power. Superchargers are belt-driven by the engine. The mechanical drive provides immediate boost without exhaust

dependence. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*

19. A — Verify the concern, monitor boost pressure, inspect drive system, identify the cause. Supercharger diagnosis requires monitoring and physical inspection. The drive system is unique to superchargers. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
20. C — Cool compressed intake air to increase density and reduce detonation risk. Intercoolers improve forced induction efficiency. Cooler air is denser and reduces knock potential. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
21. D — Verify the concern, inspect for leaks, verify proper airflow, identify the cause. Intercooler diagnosis requires inspection and verification. Each step provides different diagnostic information. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
22. B — Boost leak, faulty wastegate, faulty turbocharger, or sensor fault. Low boost has multiple potential causes. Each affects the system's ability to develop proper boost. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
23. A — Verify the concern, monitor boost pressure, inspect for leaks, identify the cause. Low boost diagnosis requires systematic approach. Each step provides different diagnostic information. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
24. C — Faulty wastegate, faulty boost control solenoid, or PCM control issue. Overboost indicates the wastegate or boost control is not limiting boost. Multiple potential causes affect proper limiting. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
25. D — Verify the concern, monitor boost pressure and wastegate operation, identify the cause. Overboost diagnosis requires monitoring of both boost and control systems. Each step provides different diagnostic information. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
26. B — Excessive compression ratio, ignition timing advance, lean mixture, low octane fuel, or carbon buildup. Knock has multiple potential causes. Each can produce abnormal combustion under specific conditions. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
27. A — Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor knock sensor activity, identify the cause. Knock diagnosis requires scan tool integration. Knock sensor data reveals when knock is occurring. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
28. C — Detect engine knock vibrations and signal the PCM to retard timing. The knock sensor protects the engine from damage. The PCM responds to knock sensor signals by retarding timing. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain B — Computerized Engine Controls. Review subsection 8.2.*

29. B — Monitor scan data for knock sensor activity, induce light tapping near the sensor, observe response. Knock sensor testing requires controlled vibration testing. The response indicates proper sensor function. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain B — Computerized Engine Controls. Review subsection 8.2.*
30. B — Carbon buildup, hot spots in the cylinder, incorrect spark plug heat range, or cooling system issues. Pre-ignition occurs before spark. Multiple potential causes can produce premature ignition. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
31. D — Verify the concern, identify hot spots and carbon buildup, identify the cause. Pre-ignition diagnosis requires identification of the heat source. Each potential cause produces premature ignition through different mechanisms. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
32. A — Carbon buildup, hot spots in cylinders, or fuel system issue. Dieseling is engine continuation after key off. Multiple potential causes can produce this condition. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain A — General Engine Diagnosis. Review subsection 8.1.*
33. C — Filter incoming air to prevent debris from entering the engine. The air filter protects the engine from debris ingestion. Without filtration, debris would damage internal components. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
34. B — Visually inspect for restrictions, measure pressure drop if applicable, replace per spec. Air filter testing requires inspection and measurement. Restricted filters reduce engine breathing. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
35. D — Restricted air filter, intake duct restriction, or throttle body issue. Intake restriction has multiple potential causes. Each affects the engine's ability to breathe properly. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
36. A — Verify the concern, inspect air filter and intake ducting, verify throttle body operation. Intake restriction diagnosis requires systematic inspection. Each component contributes to potential restriction. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
37. C — Control airflow into the engine based on driver input or PCM control. The throttle body manages engine airflow. Modern throttle bodies use electronic control for precise operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
38. B — Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor TPS data, identify the cause. Throttle body diagnosis requires scan tool integration. TPS data reveals proper or improper operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*

39. D — Use a sensor and motor to control throttle position based on PCM commands. ETC replaces mechanical throttle linkage with electronic control. The system provides precise throttle response. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
40. A — Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor scan data for throttle position, identify the cause. ETC diagnosis requires scan tool integration. Position data reveals proper or improper operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
41. C — Faulty TPS, faulty accelerator pedal sensor, ETC fault, or PCM control issue. Improper throttle response has multiple potential causes. Each affects the system's ability to respond properly. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
42. B — Distribute air or air-fuel mixture from the throttle body to the cylinders. The intake manifold distributes air to all cylinders. Proper distribution ensures uniform engine operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
43. D — Use smoke testing or vacuum gauge to identify leak sources. Manifold leak diagnosis requires methods that reveal leak locations. Each method provides a different way to identify the source. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
44. A — Misfire, rich fuel mixture, oil consumption, or catalyst issue. High HC has multiple potential causes. Each can produce unburned hydrocarbons in exhaust. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
45. C — Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, identify the source, address the cause. HC diagnosis requires source identification. Each cause produces high HC through different mechanisms. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
46. B — Rich fuel mixture from sensor failure, fuel pressure issue, or injector issue. High CO indicates incomplete combustion of rich mixture. Multiple potential causes can produce rich mixture. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
47. D — Verify the concern, monitor fuel trims, identify rich mixture cause, address the cause. CO diagnosis requires fuel trim analysis. The trims reveal which side of the system is at fault. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
48. C — EGR system fault, lean mixture, or engine cooling issue. High NOx indicates excessive combustion temperature. Multiple potential causes elevate combustion temperatures. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
49. A — Verify the concern, monitor EGR operation, identify the cause, address the cause. NOx diagnosis requires EGR system analysis. EGR is the primary NOx control device. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*

50. B — Indicate which OBD-II monitors have completed their diagnostic tests. Monitor readiness shows test completion. State emissions tests require all monitors to be ready. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain B — Computerized Engine Controls. Review subsection 8.2.*