

PRACTICE EXAM 5: A8 SIMULATION

— ENGINE PERFORMANCE

1. The proper purpose of the fuel delivery system is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the fuel pump as a precaution
- C. Provide proper fuel pressure and volume to the injectors based on engine demand
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

2. The proper purpose of an in-tank fuel pump is to:

- A. Pressurize and deliver fuel from the tank to the engine
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the fuel pump as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

3. The proper procedure for testing fuel pump operation is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the fuel pump as a precaution
- C. Visually inspect for visible damage only
- D. Test fuel pressure at idle and varied conditions, test volume, compare to spec

4. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of low fuel pressure. The MOST appropriate first diagnostic step is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Verify the concern, monitor scan data, test fuel pressure at idle and varied conditions
- C. Replace the fuel pump as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

5. The proper procedure for testing fuel volume is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the fuel pump as a precaution
- C. Visually inspect for visible damage only
- D. Disconnect fuel return, run pump per spec, measure delivered volume in specified time

6. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of intermittent low fuel pressure. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the fuel pump as a precaution
- C. Marginal fuel pump, restricted fuel filter, faulty pressure regulator, or wiring fault
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

7. The proper procedure for testing a fuel pressure regulator is to:

- A. Verify pressure response to vacuum changes, compare to spec
- B. Apply compressed air to the regulator
- C. Replace the regulator as a precaution

D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

8. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of high fuel pressure at idle. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the fuel pump as a precaution
- C. Replace the regulator as a precaution
- D. Faulty fuel pressure regulator or restricted return line

9. The proper procedure for testing a fuel injector is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the injector
- B. Test injector resistance, balance, and operation per spec
- C. Replace the injector as a precaution
- D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

10. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of fuel injector imbalance. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the injectors
- B. Replace the injectors as a precaution
- C. Worn injectors, contamination, or restricted spray pattern
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

11. The proper procedure for performing an injector balance test is to:

- A. Pulse each injector for the same duration, monitor pressure drop, compare results
- B. Apply compressed air to the system

- C. Replace the injectors as a precaution
- D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

12. A vehicle equipped with port fuel injection has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of port fuel injection is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the injectors as a precaution
- C. Replace the fuel system as a precaution
- D. Inject fuel into the intake port behind the intake valve, mixing with intake air

13. A vehicle equipped with direct injection (GDI) has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of GDI is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Inject fuel directly into the cylinder, providing precise fuel delivery and timing
- C. Replace the GDI system as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

14. The proper procedure for diagnosing GDI system faults is to:

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

15. The proper purpose of a high-pressure fuel pump in a GDI system is to:

- A. Pressurize fuel to the high pressures required for direct injection (typically 1,000-3,000 psi)
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the pump as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

16. The proper procedure for testing GDI high-pressure fuel pump operation is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the pump
- B. Monitor fuel rail pressure scan data, compare to spec
- C. Replace the pump as a precaution
- D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

17. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of GDI carbon buildup on intake valves. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the engine as a precaution
- C. Replace the intake as a precaution
- D. GDI does not wash intake valves with fuel, allowing carbon buildup over time

18. The proper procedure for addressing GDI intake valve carbon buildup is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the engine as a precaution
- C. Use approved cleaning procedure (chemical, walnut blasting, or other manufacturer-approved method)

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

19. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of poor cold-start performance. The MOST likely cause is:

A. Fuel quality, fuel pressure, injector spray pattern, or sensor issue at cold start

B. Apply compressed air to the system

C. Replace the fuel system as a precaution

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

20. The proper procedure for diagnosing cold-start fuel issues is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Verify the concern under cold conditions, monitor fuel data during cold start

C. Replace the fuel system as a precaution

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

21. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of fuel quality concerns. The MOST appropriate diagnostic action is:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

B. Replace the fuel filter as a precaution

C. Replace the fuel as a precaution

D. Verify the concern, sample the fuel, test for contamination, identify the issue

22. The proper procedure for testing fuel for contamination is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the fuel

- B. Replace the fuel as a precaution
- C. Sample fuel into clear container, observe for contamination (water, debris, separation)
- D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

23. A vehicle's fuel sample shows water contamination. The MOST appropriate action is:

- A. Drain the contaminated fuel, identify the source, replace the fuel filter, refill with proper fuel
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the fuel pump as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

24. The proper purpose of a fuel filter is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the filter as a precaution
- C. Replace the fuel pump as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the fuel before it reaches the injectors

25. The proper procedure for fuel filter replacement is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the filter
- B. Verify the replacement interval, replace per manufacturer's procedure, verify proper installation
- C. Replace the filter as a precaution
- D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

26. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of restricted fuel flow. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the fuel pump as a precaution
- C. Restricted fuel filter, fuel pump weak, or restriction in fuel lines
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

27. The proper procedure for diagnosing restricted fuel flow is to:

- A. Verify the concern, test fuel pressure and volume, identify the restriction location
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the fuel system as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

28. A vehicle's evaporative system has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of the EVAP charcoal canister is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the canister
- B. Replace the canister as a precaution
- C. Replace the EVAP system as a precaution
- D. Store fuel vapors from the tank, releasing them to the engine for combustion when commanded

29. The proper procedure for diagnosing EVAP system faults is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, perform smoke test, identify the leak source
- C. Replace the EVAP system as a precaution

D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

30. A vehicle's EVAP purge valve has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of the purge valve is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the valve

B. Replace the valve as a precaution

C. Control vapor flow from the canister to the intake manifold during purge

D. Filter contaminants from the system

31. The proper procedure for testing a purge valve is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the valve

B. Replace the valve as a precaution

C. Replace the EVAP system as a precaution

D. Verify proper voltage at the valve, command operation through scan tool, verify response

32. A vehicle's EVAP vent valve has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of the vent valve is to:

A. Allow atmospheric air into the canister during purge, sealed during diagnostic monitoring

B. Apply compressed air to the valve

C. Replace the valve as a precaution

D. Filter contaminants from the system

33. The proper procedure for performing an EVAP smoke test is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the system

- B. Connect smoke machine to service port, introduce smoke, observe leak points
- C. Replace the EVAP system as a precaution
- D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

34. A vehicle's EVAP system fails the OBD-II EVAP monitor. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the EVAP system as a precaution
- C. Loose fuel cap, vapor line leak, faulty purge valve, faulty vent valve, or charcoal canister fault
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

35. The proper procedure for verifying EVAP system service is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the EVAP system as a precaution
- C. Replace the brake fluid as the only step
- D. Verify all repairs, perform smoke test to verify integrity, road test to allow monitor completion

36. A vehicle's exhaust system has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of the exhaust system is to:

- A. Direct exhaust gases away from the engine, reduce noise, and route through emission controls
- B. Apply compressed air to the system
- C. Replace the exhaust system as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

37. The proper procedure for testing for exhaust restriction is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Test exhaust backpressure with gauge, monitor MAP at WOT, compare to spec
- C. Replace the exhaust as a precaution
- D. Visually inspect for visible damage only

38. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of restricted exhaust. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the exhaust as a precaution
- C. Restricted catalytic converter, collapsed exhaust pipe, or muffler restriction
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

39. The proper procedure for diagnosing exhaust restriction is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Verify the concern, test backpressure, identify the restriction location
- C. Replace the exhaust as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

40. A vehicle's exhaust manifold has been brought in for inspection. The MOST likely cause of a leaking exhaust manifold is:

- A. A cracked manifold, worn manifold gasket, or worn manifold studs
- B. Apply compressed air to the manifold
- C. Replace the manifold as a precaution

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

41. The proper procedure for diagnosing exhaust manifold leaks is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the manifold

B. Replace the manifold as a precaution

C. Replace the exhaust as a precaution

D. Verify the concern, listen for leak sounds, inspect for visible damage, identify the source

42. A vehicle's catalytic converter has been brought in for inspection. The MOST likely cause of catalytic converter failure is:

A. Apply compressed air to the converter

B. Engine running rich, oil contamination, or thermal damage from misfire

C. Replace the converter as a precaution

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

43. The proper procedure for diagnosing catalytic converter failure is to:

A. Apply compressed air to the converter

B. Replace the converter as a precaution

C. Verify the concern, monitor oxygen sensor activity, evaluate efficiency, identify the cause

D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

44. A vehicle's downstream oxygen sensor has been brought in for diagnosis. The proper purpose of the downstream oxygen sensor is to:

A. Monitor catalytic converter efficiency by comparing to upstream sensor activity

- B. Apply compressed air to the sensor
- C. Replace the sensor as a precaution
- D. Filter contaminants from the system

45. The proper procedure for testing the downstream oxygen sensor is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the sensor
- B. Replace the sensor as a precaution
- C. Replace the catalyst as a precaution
- D. Monitor scan data for stable downstream activity, compare to upstream switching, evaluate efficiency

46. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of high HC emissions and lean fuel trims. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Vacuum leak (causes lean) and ignition/combustion issue (causes HC)
- C. Replace the affected components as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

47. The proper procedure for diagnosing combined emissions and fuel trim issues 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 and emissions, identify common causes, address findings

48. A vehicle has been brought in with a complaint of poor fuel economy and rich fuel trims. The MOST likely cause is:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Replace the affected components as a precaution
- C. Faulty oxygen sensor, faulty MAF sensor, fuel pressure issue, or injector issue
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

49. The proper procedure for diagnosing rich fuel trim issues is to:

- A. Verify the concern, monitor scan data, identify the source of rich condition, 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 procedure for verifying complete fuel system service is to:

- A. Apply compressed air to the system
- B. Verify all repairs, perform fuel pressure and volume tests, road test, verify proper operation
- C. Replace the fuel system as a precaution
- D. Replace the brake fluid as the only step

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— ANSWER KEY, EXPLANATIONS, AND TASK REMEDIATION

1. C — Provide proper fuel pressure and volume to the injectors based on engine demand. The fuel delivery system supports proper combustion. Both pressure and volume are required for proper operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
2. A — Pressurize and deliver fuel from the tank to the engine. The in-tank fuel pump provides primary fuel pressure. Modern vehicles use submerged in-tank pumps for cooling and quiet operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
3. D — Test fuel pressure at idle and varied conditions, test volume, compare to spec. Fuel pump testing requires both pressure and volume verification. Each measurement reveals different aspects of pump condition. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
4. B — Verify the concern, monitor scan data, test fuel pressure at idle and varied conditions. Low fuel pressure diagnosis begins with verification and pressure testing. Scan data and physical testing together reveal the cause. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
5. D — Disconnect fuel return, run pump per spec, measure delivered volume in specified time. Fuel volume testing requires controlled conditions. The volume measurement reveals pump condition independent of pressure. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
6. C — Marginal fuel pump, restricted fuel filter, faulty pressure regulator, or wiring fault. Intermittent low fuel pressure has multiple potential causes. Each can produce inconsistent pressure delivery. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
7. A — Verify pressure response to vacuum changes, compare to spec. Pressure regulator testing requires verification of pressure modulation. The regulator should respond to manifold vacuum changes. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*

8. D — Faulty fuel pressure regulator or restricted return line. High pressure indicates the regulator cannot relieve excess pressure. Either component can cause this condition. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
9. B — Test injector resistance, balance, and operation per spec. Injector testing requires multiple verification methods. Each method evaluates a different aspect of injector function. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
10. C — Worn injectors, contamination, or restricted spray pattern. Injector imbalance has multiple potential causes. Each affects the injector's ability to deliver consistent fuel. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
11. A — Pulse each injector for the same duration, monitor pressure drop, compare results. Injector balance testing requires controlled conditions and comparison. Equal pulses should produce equal pressure drops. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
12. D — Inject fuel into the intake port behind the intake valve, mixing with intake air. Port injection delivers fuel before the intake valve. The valve passage helps atomize the fuel. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
13. B — Inject fuel directly into the cylinder, providing precise fuel delivery and timing. GDI injects fuel directly into the combustion chamber. Direct injection enables precise control and improved efficiency. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
14. C — Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, monitor fuel system data, identify the cause. GDI diagnosis requires scan tool integration. The system has more parameters to monitor than port injection. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
15. A — Pressurize fuel to the high pressures required for direct injection (typically 1,000-3,000 psi). The high-pressure pump enables direct injection. The pressures are much higher than port injection. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
16. B — Monitor fuel rail pressure scan data, compare to spec. High-pressure pump testing requires scan tool monitoring. The rail pressure data reveals pump condition. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
17. D — GDI does not wash intake valves with fuel, allowing carbon buildup over time. GDI does not provide intake valve washing. The buildup is a known characteristic of GDI engines. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*

18. C — Use approved cleaning procedure (chemical, walnut blasting, or other manufacturer-approved method). GDI carbon removal requires approved methods. Each method has specific requirements. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
19. A — Fuel quality, fuel pressure, injector spray pattern, or sensor issue at cold start. Cold-start fuel issues have multiple potential causes. Each affects engine starting under cold conditions. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
20. B — Verify the concern under cold conditions, monitor fuel data during cold start. Cold-start diagnosis requires symptom-matching conditions. The fault must be observed when it occurs. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
21. D — Verify the concern, sample the fuel, test for contamination, identify the issue. Fuel quality diagnosis requires sample testing. Contamination can produce multiple symptoms. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
22. C — Sample fuel into clear container, observe for contamination (water, debris, separation). Visual fuel sampling reveals common contamination. Each contamination type produces distinct visible signs. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
23. A — Drain the contaminated fuel, identify the source, replace the fuel filter, refill with proper fuel. Water contamination requires complete fuel replacement. The source must be identified to prevent recurrence. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
24. D — Filter contaminants from the fuel before it reaches the injectors. The fuel filter protects the injectors from contamination. Filtered fuel maintains proper injector spray patterns. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
25. B — Verify the replacement interval, replace per manufacturer's procedure, verify proper installation. Filter replacement follows manufacturer specifications. Proper installation prevents leaks and ensures function. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
26. C — Restricted fuel filter, fuel pump weak, or restriction in fuel lines. Restricted fuel flow has multiple potential causes. Each can reduce delivered volume. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
27. A — Verify the concern, test fuel pressure and volume, identify the restriction location. Restricted flow diagnosis requires systematic testing. Each test isolates different aspects of the system. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
28. D — Store fuel vapors from the tank, releasing them to the engine for combustion when commanded. The charcoal canister captures and stores vapors. Vapors are burned in the engine

during purge cycles. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*

29. B — Verify the concern, retrieve DTCs, perform smoke test, identify the leak source. EVAP diagnosis requires comprehensive approach. Smoke testing reveals the leak location. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
30. C — Control vapor flow from the canister to the intake manifold during purge. The purge valve enables canister purging. The PCM controls the valve based on operating conditions. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
31. D — Verify proper voltage at the valve, command operation through scan tool, verify response. Purge valve testing requires electrical verification and operational testing. Each step reveals different aspects. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
32. A — Allow atmospheric air into the canister during purge, sealed during diagnostic monitoring. The vent valve enables canister purging and sealing. The diagnostic monitoring requires the valve to seal properly. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
33. B — Connect smoke machine to service port, introduce smoke, observe leak points. EVAP smoke testing requires proper connection and observation. The smoke escaping reveals leak locations. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
34. C — Loose fuel cap, vapor line leak, faulty purge valve, faulty vent valve, or charcoal canister fault. EVAP monitor failure has multiple potential causes. Each prevents the system from sealing or maintaining vacuum. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
35. D — Verify all repairs, perform smoke test to verify integrity, road test to allow monitor completion. EVAP service verification requires comprehensive approach. The monitor must complete to confirm operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
36. A — Direct exhaust gases away from the engine, reduce noise, and route through emission controls. The exhaust system serves multiple functions. Each function is essential to proper vehicle operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
37. B — Test exhaust backpressure with gauge, monitor MAP at WOT, compare to spec. Exhaust restriction testing requires backpressure measurement. The MAP at WOT also reveals restriction. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*

38. C — Restricted catalytic converter, collapsed exhaust pipe, or muffler restriction. Exhaust restriction has multiple potential causes. Each affects the engine's ability to expel exhaust. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
39. B — Verify the concern, test backpressure, identify the restriction location. Exhaust restriction diagnosis requires systematic testing. Each step isolates different aspects. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
40. A — A cracked manifold, worn manifold gasket, or worn manifold studs. Manifold leaks have multiple potential causes. Each allows exhaust to escape before reaching the catalyst. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
41. D — Verify the concern, listen for leak sounds, inspect for visible damage, identify the source. Manifold leak diagnosis requires audible and visual inspection. Leaks often produce characteristic sounds. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*
42. B — Engine running rich, oil contamination, or thermal damage from misfire. Catalyst failure has multiple potential causes. Each damages the catalyst substrate or coating. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
43. C — Verify the concern, monitor oxygen sensor activity, evaluate efficiency, identify the cause. Catalyst failure diagnosis requires oxygen sensor analysis. The activity reveals catalyst condition. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
44. A — Monitor catalytic converter efficiency by comparing to upstream sensor activity. The downstream sensor evaluates catalyst function. Stable readings indicate proper catalyst operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain B — Computerized Engine Controls. Review subsection 8.2.*
45. D — Monitor scan data for stable downstream activity, compare to upstream switching, evaluate efficiency. Downstream sensor testing requires comparison to upstream behavior. The relationship reveals catalyst function. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain B — Computerized Engine Controls. Review subsection 8.2.*
46. B — Vacuum leak (causes lean) and ignition/combustion issue (causes HC). Combined high HC and lean trims indicate two potential causes. The vacuum leak produces lean, while combustion issues produce HC. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*
47. D — Verify the concern, monitor fuel trims and emissions, identify common causes, address findings. Combined emissions and fuel trim diagnosis requires multi-method approach. Each tool reveals different aspects. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain E — Emissions Control Systems. Review subsection 8.5.*

48. C — Faulty oxygen sensor, faulty MAF sensor, fuel pressure issue, or injector issue. Rich fuel trim has multiple potential causes. Each produces excessive fuel delivery. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain B — Computerized Engine Controls. Review subsection 8.2.*
49. A — Verify the concern, monitor scan data, identify the source of rich condition, address the cause. Rich fuel trim diagnosis requires systematic approach. The data reveals which side of the system is at fault. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain B — Computerized Engine Controls. Review subsection 8.2.*
50. B — Verify all repairs, perform fuel pressure and volume tests, road test, verify proper operation. Fuel system service verification requires comprehensive approach. Each step verifies different aspects of proper operation. *ASE Task Reference: A8 Domain D — Fuel, Air Induction, and Exhaust. Review subsection 8.4.*