

# Automotive Electrical & Engine Performance 7/E














## Chapter 18 Cranking System Diagnosis & Service

### Opening Your Class

<b>KEY ELEMENT</b>	<b>EXAMPLES</b>
Introduce Content	This course or class covers <b>Automotive Electrical &amp; Engine Performance</b> . It correlates material to task lists specified by ASE and NATEF.
Motivate Learners	Explain how the knowledge of how something works translates into the ability to use that knowledge to figure why the engine does not work correctly and how this saves diagnosis time, which translates into more money.
State the learning objectives for the chapter or course you are about to cover and explain this is what they should be able to do as a result of attending this session or class.	Explain the chapter learning objectives to the students. <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Discuss how to perform a voltage drop test on the cranking circuit.</li><li>2. Perform control circuit testing and starter amperage test, and determine necessary action.</li><li>3. Explain starter motor service and bench testing.</li></ol> This chapter will help you prepare for the ASE Electrical/Electronic Systems (A6) certification test content area "C" (Starting System Diagnosis and Repair).
Establish the Mood or Climate	Provide a <i>WELCOME</i> , Avoid put downs and bad jokes.
Complete Essentials	Restrooms, breaks, registration, tests, etc.
Clarify and Establish Knowledge Base	Do a round robin of the class by going around the room and having each student give their backgrounds, years of experience, family, hobbies, career goals, or anything they want to share.

**NOTE: This lesson plan is based on Automotive Electrical & Engine Performance 7/E Chapter Images found on Jim's web site @ [www.jameshalderman.com](http://www.jameshalderman.com)**

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           <p data-bbox="354 1388 456 1417">QUESTION</p>  <p data-bbox="220 1566 332 1608">DEMO</p> 	<p data-bbox="625 302 1268 380"><b>1. SLIDE 1 CH18 CRANKING SYSTEM DIAGNOSIS &amp; SERVICE</b></p> <p data-bbox="625 443 1390 558">Check for <b>ADDITIONAL VIDEOS &amp; ANIMATIONS</b> @ <a data-bbox="695 478 1276 514" href="http://www.jameshalderman.com/">http://www.jameshalderman.com/</a> <b>WEB SITE IS CONSTANTLY UPDATED</b></p> <p data-bbox="625 583 768 625"><u><b>Videos</b></u></p> <p data-bbox="583 716 1406 863">At the beginning of this class, you can download the crossword puzzle &amp; Word Search from the links below to familiarize your class with the terms in this chapter &amp; then discuss them</p> <p data-bbox="625 884 1292 919"><a href="#">Crossword Puzzle (Microsoft Word) (PDF)</a></p> <p data-bbox="625 926 1328 961"><a href="#">Word Search Puzzle (Microsoft Word) (PDF)</a></p> <p data-bbox="589 1014 1187 1050"><u><b>Starter Circuit Voltage Drop Tests</b></u></p> <p data-bbox="589 1062 1218 1098"><u><b>Starter Circuit Voltage Drop Tests 2</b></u></p> <p data-bbox="625 1157 1409 1262">2. <b>SLIDE 2 EXPLAIN</b> Figure 18-1 theft deterrent indicator lamp of the dash. A flashing lamp usually indicates a fault in the system, and the engine may not start.</p> <p data-bbox="583 1287 1365 1514"><u><b>DISCUSSION:</b></u> <b>DISCUSS HOW BATTERY CONDITION IS CRITICAL TO THE FUNCTION OF ALL ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS IN THE VEHICLE. AFTER VERIFYING A CUSTOMER'S CONCERN ABOUT A FAULT IN THE CRANKING SYSTEM, WHAT SHOULD BE CHECKED?</b></p> <p data-bbox="583 1524 1414 1717"><u><b>DEMONSTRATION:</b></u> <b>SHOW HOW TO USE SERVICE INFORMATION TO LOOK UP STARTING SYSTEM CONTROL CIRCUIT. HAVE THEM HELP YOU IDENTIFY DIFFERENT COMPONENTS OF STARTING SYSTEM CONTROL CIRCUIT. <u>FIGURE 18-1</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="583 1728 1414 1877"><u><b>HANDS-ON TASK:</b></u> <b>HAVE STUDENTS PRINT OUT A SCHEMATIC OF STARTER CIRCUIT FOR VEHICLE THEY WILL BE WORKING ON AND POINT OUT TEST POINTS. DISCUSS WITH THEM THAT STARTER</b></p>

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**CIRCUITS & COMPONENTS CAN VARY GREATLY FROM VEHICLE TO VEHICLE, & FROM OEM TO OEM.**

**EXPLAIN TECH TIPS**

- 3. **SLIDE 3 EXPLAIN** Figure 18-2 Voltmeter hookups for voltage drop testing of solenoid-type cranking circuit.
- 4. **SLIDE 4 EXPLAIN** Figure 18-3 Voltmeter hookups for voltage drop testing of a Ford cranking circuit.
- 5. **SLIDE 5 EXPLAIN** Figure 18-4 To test the voltage drop of the battery cable connection, place one voltmeter lead on the battery terminal and the other voltmeter lead on the cable end and crank the engine. The voltmeter will read the difference in voltage between the two leads, which should not exceed 0.20 volt (200 mV).








**DEMONSTRATION: SHOW HOW TO PERFORM A VOLTAGE DROP TEST ON STARTER MOTOR CIRCUIT OF LIVE VEHICLE. EMPHASIZE DISABLING THE VEHICLE. ALSO, EMPHASIZE HOW NOT TO ACCIDENTALLY TURN WRENCHES, JEWELRY, & OTHER METAL OBJECTS INTO ARC WELDERS.**













**DEMONSTRATION: USE A JUMP BOX & REMOTE START SWITCH TO SET UP A STARTER ON A BENCH. PLACE ALLIGATOR CLIPS ON ENDS OF DMM LEADS TO PERFORM A VOLTAGE DROP TEST ON THE STARTER CONTROL CIRCUIT. USE A BUGGED WIRE WITH A SPLICED-IN RESISTOR TO SHOW WHAT UNWANTED RESISTANCE IN SIGNAL SIDE OF CIRCUIT CAN DO TO OVERALL CIRCUIT FUNCTION.**

**EXPLAIN TECH TIP**

- 6. **SLIDE 6 EXPLAIN:** STARTER AMPERAGE TEST & **EXPLAIN** Figure 18-5 A starter amperage tester uses an amp probe around the positive or negative battery cables

**DISCUSSION: HAVE THE STUDENTS TALK ABOUT THE USE OF NONINVASIVE TEST PROCEDURES; FOR INSTANCE, USING A SCAN TOOL TO CHECK FOR PROPER STARTER OPERATION BY COMMANDING STARTER RELAY ON AND OFF. HOW CAN NONINVASIVE TEST PROCEDURES SAVE TIME AND PREVENT UNNECESSARY DAMAGE TO WIRING**

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    	<p><b>AND COMPONENTS?</b></p> <p><b><u>DEMONSTRATION:</u> SHOW SCAN TOOL DIAGNOSIS PROCESS FROM THE ABOVE DISCUSSION.</b></p> <p><b>EXPLAIN TECH TIP</b></p> <p><b>DISCUSSION: DISCUSS THE WAYS CURRENT CAN BE MEASURED IN A CIRCUIT, SUCH AS USING A DMM IN SERIES SET ON AMPS, USING OHM'S LAW TO CALCULATE CURRENT BASED ON VOLTAGE &amp; RESISTANCE, OR MEASURING MAGNETIC FIELD SURROUNDING A CIRCUIT BY USING AN INDUCTIVE PICKUP. WHEN SHOULD EACH TYPE OF MEASUREMENT BE USED?</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>7. SLIDE 7 EXPLAIN Figure 18-6</b> The starter is located under the intake manifold on this Cadillac Northstar engine</li> <li><b>8. SLIDE 8 EXPLAIN Figure 18-7</b> exploded view of a typical solenoid-operated starter.</li> <li><b>9. SLIDE 9 EXPLAIN Figure 18-8</b> GM solenoid ohmmeter check. The reading between 1 and 3 (S terminal and ground) should be 0.4 to 0.6 ohm (hold-in winding). The reading between 1 and 2 (S terminal and M terminal) should be 0.2 to 0.4 ohm (pull-in winding).</li> <li><b>10. SLIDE 10 EXPLAIN Figure 18-9</b> Measuring an armature shaft for runout using dial indicator &amp; V-blocks.</li> <li><b>11. SLIDE 11 EXPLAIN Figure 18-10</b> Replacement starter brushes should be installed so the beveled edge matches the rotation of the commutator.</li> </ol>
 	<p><b><u>DEMONSTRATION:</u> SHOW HOW TO BENCH-TEST A STARTER. EMPHASIZE THAT THE REMOTE STARTER CABLES SHOULD NOT SMOKE DURING THIS TEST.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>12. SLIDE 12 EXPLAIN: STARTER DRIVE-TO-FLYWHEEL CLEARANCE &amp; EXPLAIN Figure 18-11</b> A shim (or half shim) may be needed to provide the proper clearance between the flywheel teeth of the engine &amp; pinion teeth</li> </ol>

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	<p>EXPLAIN TECH TIP</p>
	<p>EXPLAIN Starting System Symptom Guide</p>
	<p><b>DEMONSTRATION: SHOW HOW TO PROPERLY HOOK UP AND PERFORM A STARTER CURRENT DRAW TEST USING AN AVR TESTER OR SIMILAR EQUIPMENT. EXPLAIN HOW AVR CAN BE USED TO PERFORM A VARIETY OF STARTING &amp; CHARGING TESTS IN A SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME.</b></p>
	<p><b>13. SLIDES 13-35 STARTER OVERHALL SLIDE SHOW</b></p>
 	<p><b>NATEF TASK SHEET: REMOVE AND INSTALL STARTER IN A VEHICLE.</b></p>
 	<p><b>NATEF TASK SHEET: INSPECT AND TEST STARTER RELAYS AND SOLENOIDS; DETERMINE NECESSARY ACTION.</b></p>
 	<p><b>INSPECT AND TEST SWITCHES, CONNECTORS, AND WIRES OF STARTER CONTROL CIRCUITS; PERFORM NECESSARY ACTION.</b></p>
 	<p><b>NATEF TASK SHEET: PERFORM STARTER CURRENT DRAW TESTS; DETERMINE NECESSARY ACTION. PERFORM STARTER CIRCUIT VOLTAGE DROP TESTS; DETERMINE NECESSARY ACTION. DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN ELECTRICAL AND ENGINE MECHANICAL PROBLEMS THAT CAUSE SLOW-CRANK OR NO-CRANK CONDITION</b></p>