Electric and Hybrid Electric Vehicles, 1st Edition

Chapter 9
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SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.
1. What are the differences when charging an AGM battery when compared to a flooded battery?
2. What are the differences between a flooded and an absorbed glass mat (AGM) style battery?
3. What is the difference between a mild- and micro-hybrid vehicle?
4. What are the main advantages of a micro-hybrid system?
5. Explain how a disable condition will prevent the stop-start system from operating.

Answer Key

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- 1. Most conventional battery chargers use a charging voltage of 16 volts or higher, a charger specifically designed to charge AGM batteries must be used.
 - The AGM can be charged with high current, up to 75% of the ampere-hour rating due to lower internal resistance. The charging voltage has to be kept at or below 14.4 volts to prevent damage.

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2. The acid used in an absorbed glass mat (AGM) battery is totally absorbed into the separator, making the battery leak-proof and spill proof. Unlike conventional batteries that use a liquid electrolyte, called flooded cell batteries, most of the hydrogen and oxygen given off during charging remains inside the battery.

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- 3. A micro hybrid utilizes a stop-start system that operates on a 12-volt system and does not contain any high-voltage components. A mild hybrid utilizes a stop-start system that operates on a voltage that is greater than normal system voltage. The voltage can vary from 36 to 144 volts, depending on the model.

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- 4. The BAS system allows certain hybrid features without the cost associated with an entire redesign of the engine and powertrain. A micro hybrid utilizes a stop-start system that operates on a 12-volt system and does not contain any high-voltage components.

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- 5. In many vehicles equipped with a stop-start, the system will be disabled if:
 - A door is open
 - An unlatched hood
 - An unbuckled driver's seat belt latch
 - The climate control system is placed in MAX AC mode
 - The transmission is taken out of drive,
 - A 4 X 4 truck is placed in low range or is placed in towing mode.

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