# Manual Drivetrains and Axles 9<sup>th</sup> Edition Chapter 2 – Introduction to Drivetrains Lesson Plan

## **CHAPTER SUMMARY:**



- 1. Drivetrains, Torque, Horsepower, Gears, Gear Ratios, Transmissions, and Manual Transmissions
- 2. Automatic Transmissions, Rear-Wheel Drive versus Front-Wheel Drive, and Transaxles
- 3. Driveshaft, Drive Axle Assemblies, Towing Capability, and Four-Wheel Drive

#### **OBJECTIVES:**



- 1. Define torque and explain the relationship between torque and horsepower.
- 2. Describe the various gear types and their effect on speed, torque, and direction of rotation.
- 3. Explain gear ratios and their effect on vehicle operation.
- 4. Discuss the types of manual transmissions and transaxles that are currently in use.
- 5. Discuss automatic transmissions and the planetary gear sets used for automatic transmissions.
- 6. Compare rear-wheel drive, front-wheel drive, four-wheel drive, and all-wheel drive.
- 7 Explain the characteristics of driveshafts and drive axle assemblies.



**RESOURCES:** (All resources may be found at http://www.jameshalderman.com)

- 1. Task Sheet: Drivetrain Identification
- 2. Chapter PowerPoint
- 3. Crossword Puzzle and Word Search
- 4. Videos: (A3) Manual Drive Train Axles Videos
- 5. Animations: (A3) Manual Drive Train Axles Animations

## **ACTIVITIES:**



- 1. Task Sheet: Drivetrain Identification
- 2. Crossword Puzzle and Word Search

## **ASSIGNMENTS:**



- 1. Chapter crossword and word search puzzles.
- 2. Complete end of chapter 10 question quiz.
- 3. Complete multiple choice and short answer quizzes downloaded from the website.

## **CLASS DISCUSSION:**



- 1. Review and group discussion chapter Frequently Asked Questions and Tech Tips sections.
- 2. Review and group discussion of the five (5) chapter Review Questions.

## **NOTES AND EVALUATION:**





