## Automotive Electrical and Engine Performance 9th Edition Chapter 24 – Scan Tools Multiple Choice Questions Quiz B

- 1. What is the primary purpose of the Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL)?
- a. To alert the driver to an emission-related fault
- b. To monitor fuel efficiency in real-time
- c. To display pending updates in vehicle software
- d. To indicate low oil pressure
- 2. What does a flashing MIL typically indicate?
- a. Low fuel levels in the tank
- b. An engine misfire causing potential catalytic converter damage
- c. A system reboot in progress
- d. An issue requiring an oil change
- 3. Which pin on the Data Link Connector (DLC) is used for a 12-volt power supply?
- a. Pin 4
- b. Pin 5
- c. Pin 14
- d. Pin 16
- 4. What is the key difference between generic scan tools and OEM scan tools?
- a. OEM scan tools provide access to all factory parameters and bi-directional testing.
- b. Generic scan tools can perform reprogramming tasks.
- c. OEM scan tools are only compatible with vehicles manufactured before 1996.
- d. Generic scan tools can clear permanent DTCs, unlike OEM tools.



- 5. What data is captured in freeze-frame memory during a DTC event?
- a. Historical mileage of the vehicle
- b. Specific operational conditions at the moment the DTC is set
- c. A list of all previous DTCs cleared by the system
- d. Battery voltage readings over the last 24 hours
- 6. What is the purpose of bi-directional testing in diagnostic tools?
- a. To activate and control vehicle components for testing purposes
- b. To reprogram engine control software
- c. To monitor the vehicle's real-time GPS location
- d. To clear and reset permanent codes
- 7. What is the function of a breakout box in diagnostics?
- a. To measure the engine's fuel efficiency
- b. To provide easy access to DLC terminals for monitoring and testing
- c. To replace the scan tool's battery during extended diagnostics
- d. To simulate sensor data for calibration
- 8. How are permanent DTCs cleared from a vehicle's system?
- a. Through manual reset using a scan tool
- b. By disconnecting the battery for 10 minutes
- c. Automatically after the fault condition has been resolved and self-tests are completed
- d. By overriding the system using OEM software



- 9. Why are pre- and post-scans essential in modern vehicle diagnostics?
- a. To ensure software updates are applied accurately
- b. To compare system performance before and after repairs
- c. To monitor tire pressure before and after service
- d. To generate billing records for insurance claims
- 10. What is the typical location of the DLC in most vehicles?
- a. Under the center console
- b. Behind the glove compartment
- c. Underneath the driver's side dashboard
- d. Inside the engine bay



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## **Correct Answers:**

- 1. a
- 2. b
- 3. d
- 4. a
- 5. b
- 6. a
- 7. b
- 8. c
- 9. b
- 10. c

