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Chapter 2 – Electrical Fundamentals
Multiple Choice Questions Quiz B

1. What is the primary function of the valence ring in an atom?
 - a) It dictates the element's atomic number.
 - b) It controls the magnetic field around the atom.
 - c) It determines the element's capacity to combine with other atoms.
 - d) It balances the protons and neutrons in the nucleus.

2. Technician A states that free electrons allow for electrical conductivity in metals. Technician B says bound electrons are responsible for the flow of current. Who is correct?
 - a) Technician A only
 - b) Technician B only
 - c) Both Technicians A and B
 - d) Neither Technician A nor B

3. Which of the following best describes an insulator?
 - a) A material with fewer than two electrons in the outer orbit
 - b) A material with a fully occupied valence ring, typically five to eight electrons
 - c) A material that allows free flow of electrons under low voltage
 - d) A material that repels magnetic fields

4. The Peltier effect is used in automotive applications primarily to:
 - a) Measure engine temperature
 - b) Detect spark plug wear
 - c) Create a cooling or heating effect based on current direction
 - d) Improve battery voltage consistency

5. The number of protons and electrons in a neutral atom are:
- a) Different to create a stable charge
 - b) The same, balancing positive and negative charges
 - c) Balanced only under specific conditions
 - d) Independent of each other
6. When a conductor's diameter is increased, what effect does this have on its resistance?
- a) The resistance decreases
 - b) The resistance increases proportionally
 - c) The resistance remains constant
 - d) The resistance is unaffected by diameter changes
7. Which of the following materials would likely be classified as a semiconductor?
- a) Copper
 - b) Carbon
 - c) Nylon
 - d) Aluminum
8. In which scenario would thermoelectricity be most effectively utilized?
- a) In measuring voltage fluctuations in battery circuits
 - b) In fuel efficiency diagnostics
 - c) In temperature sensors that use heat to generate current
 - d) In controlling alternator output voltage

9. Technician A states that static electricity can only be generated by rubbing insulating materials. Technician B states that static electricity can be created in conductors as well. Who is correct?

- a) Technician A only
- b) Technician B only
- c) Both Technicians A and B
- d) Neither Technician A nor B

10. Which type of resistor is commonly used in throttle position sensors for variable voltage output?

- a) Rheostat
- b) Fixed resistor
- c) Carbon resistor
- d) Potentiometer

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Correct Answers:

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