# PART 2: THE TECHNICAL DICTIONARY

## WHERE DO YOU LOOK UP WHAT A WORD MEANS?

Part 2 is nothing but **definitions**. Only **2 questions** come from it directly — but you will be thrown back here from anywhere in the paper the moment a question says "describe", "is defined as" or "what is meant by".

> ? If the question asks you to **describe** or **define** a term — go to **Part 2**. That single habit is worth two marks and saves minutes elsewhere.

A typical question: *"Which describes the neutral conductor?"* Part 2 gives it as a **conductor connected to the neutral point of the system and contributing to the transmission of electrical energy**, and the answer falls straight out of that first sentence.

### ELECTRICAL ENGLISH IS NOT NORMAL ENGLISH

Two examples:

1

**Booth**

In the book, a

**non-stationary unit**

intended to house equipment generally for pleasure or demonstration purposes — a fairground or festival booth. Not the thing you sit in at a restaurant.

2

**Accessory**

In the book, a device associated with the wiring or current-using equipment —

**socket outlets, switches**

. Nothing to do with hats and jewellery.

> **Technique for "which of these is defined as…" questions.**
> Look up each option in Part 2 and eliminate. In the booth question the other options (caravan, stand, show) are all movable, so the odd one out gives itself away before you even open the book.

### THE BITS OF PART 2 PEOPLE FORGET ARE THERE

Part 2 is not only words. Towards the back of it you'll find:

- The **symbols and abbreviations list** — In, Ib, Ca, Cg, Zs, Ze, SPD, MET, ELV and the rest, each with what it stands for, and often a pointer to the regulation that uses it.

- The **earthing and bonding figure** with its key: **B** main earthing terminal, **M** exposed-conductive-part, **C** extraneous-conductive-part, and numbered conductors — the protective conductor from an exposed-conductive-part back to the MET is the **CPC**.

That answers a whole category of "which conductor connects X to Y" questions without leaving Part 2.

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> **Part 2** · earthing and bonding figure with key

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