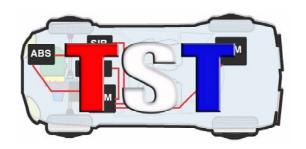
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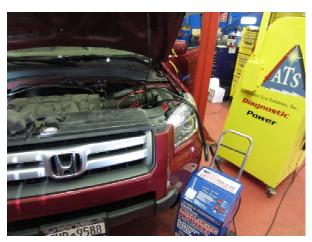
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2006 Honda Pilot Electrical Diagnostics

This car was a real nightmare. Here's how it all began: a veterinarian wanted to add his own tow hitch, because if you works on animals you can splice wires, right?



So, after cutting up a bunch of wires in the rear he inspected the fuse box. He didn't find a fuse for the daytime running lights which was listed in his manual but not found in his model. So he took apart the fusebox and put it back together, which resulted in a burning smell, a no start, and inoperative windows.

A body shop that worked using barter took on the challenge. They replaced the body control module and fuse box, and then gave up. Then they towed the vehicle to Car Clinic, my shop.

The master technician was able to confirm that whenever he plugged in his scan tool the horn honked. Obviously, there was a short circuit. (*Con't on page 3*)

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He decided to start with solving the mystery of the honking horn, figuring that if he solved that then everything else would make sense. After inspecting fuses he moved onto checking the engine wiring harness. He found melted wires so he changed two out of three of the engine wiring harnesses (excluding a third on the driver's side.

The horn still honked with the scan tool plugged in, however. So, prompted by the customer not wanting to pay for additional diagnosis the multiplexer and the fuse-box was changed again, and the vehicle still did the same thing. He had communication to the PCM and did not know where else to go. Before regrouping he took a job at another shop, leaving the car with me.

I was always the B-tech—tires, brakes, front end, simple diagnostics. I was never given the tough cars, but now it was my turn. It was time to start all over again and diagnose the issue from scratch.

First, I knew that the customer cut some wires open in the rear of the truck for the trailer lighting. I found that he disconnected the brake light failure sensor and cut the wires so he could plug his trailer harness. After testing with my powerprobe that the wires were not shorting the multiplexer in the passenger fuse box I decided to get the wiring schematics for the horn circuit and the computer data lines.

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Pin #5 of the DLC
                      signal
is
          the
                           the
ground
                 for
communication
                                                                                     2WD: (Service check signal circuit)
                                                                                     4WD: (Service check signal circuit)
network and when
                                     2WD: (G401) (Ground for HDS tester) 4WD: (G401) (Ground for HDS tester)
                                                                                   11 —
                                                                                   12 RED/WHT
it was grounded 5 BRNYEL
                                                                                     2WD: (Write enable)
4WD: (Write enable)
                                     2WD: (Signal ground for communication network)
the horn was going
                                     4WD: (Signal ground for communication network)
                                                                                   13 -
                                                                                   14 LT RIU
                                                                                     2WD: (Input/output)
off.
           I confirmed
                                    2WD: (DLC input/output circuit)
                                                                                     4WD: (Input/output)
                                     4WD: (DLC input/output circuit)
this
            with
                           my 8
                                                                                   16 WHT/GRN
                                                                                     2WD: (Fuse 46 - Under-hood) (Power for HDS tester (B+, 4 amps max))
                                                                                     4WD: (Fuse 46 - Under-hood) (Power for HDS tester (B+, 4 amps max))
powerprobe, so I
started with that
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wire and was curious to see where it led.

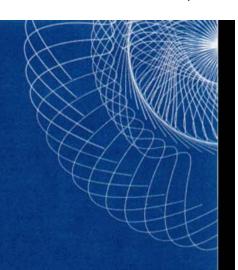
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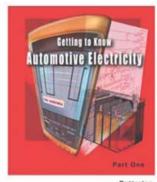
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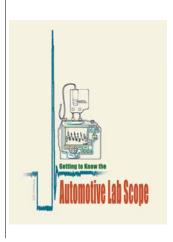
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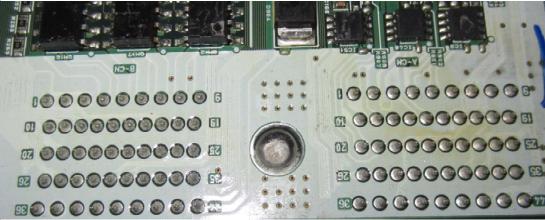
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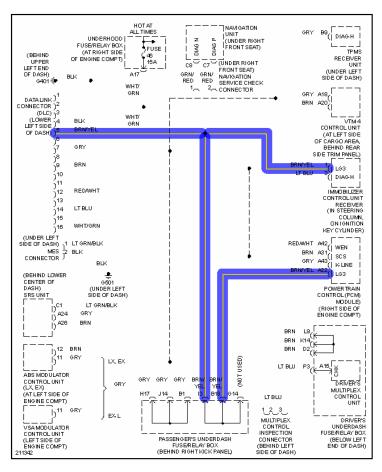
Honda Pilot Electrical Diagnostics (con't from p. 3)

The wire for pin #5 is brown/yellow and I saw that it connected to the immobilizer, fuse box, and PCM. I immediately suspected a damaged PCM (though not totally bad, I still had communication) and an immobilizer issue. I opened up the PCM and I noticed that it had internal burn spots.



The old engine wiring harness must have caused this, but the PCM later proved good enough to start the car, so let's move on.

I studied the DLC schematic and I noticed that it was passing by the passenger multiplexer and it had the letter "B18." The horn circuit happened to have a light



green/blue wire with the letter "B14." What's "B" anyway?







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I looked on AllData and "B" apparently stands for "connector B."

The horn relay gets power from fuse 47 in the underhood fuse box, but the control side for the horn relay is the light green/blue wire from the passenger multiplexer. The passenger multiplexer has 16 fuses and 11 connectors. The light green/blue wire was the control side for the horn in connector B.

I still had the old multiplexer and noticed it also had a B in the connector slot. However, there were more letters (A through K) and numbers (1 through 11). The wires all fit into the same connectors. Take a look how similar they all look and

Connector B

- On right engine compartment wire harness



how many connectors there are! I

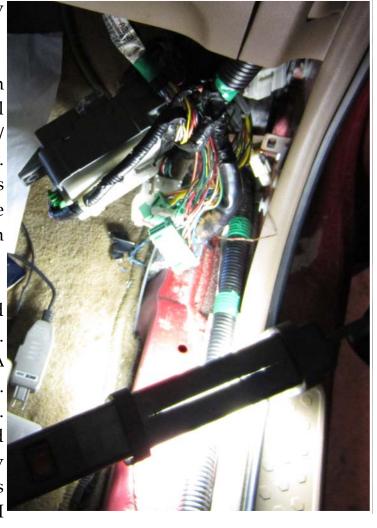
theorized that maybe the wrong wire was plugged in.

Mitchell has great wiring diagrams and AllData has good schematics. I printed out all the connector views and I inspected the multiplexer to see if the right connector was there. I was able to see that connector B had the color wires I was dealing with.

Then I realized that the connectors so close, that the fuse box sockets looked identical and allowed the wrong connectors to plug in.

1 RED/YEL (Fuse 45 - Under-hood) 2 RED/YEL (Fuse 45 - Under-hood) 3 BLU/BLK (A/T park position circuit) 4 EX-L: BLU (Moonroof) 5 YEL (Fuse 54 - Under-hood) 7 GRN/RED (Front wiper/washer) 8 BLK/YEL (Fuse 3 - Driver's) 9 WHT/GRN (Fuse 49 - Under-hood) 10 BLU/BLK (A/T park position circuit) 11 YEL/GRN (Fuse 7 - Driver's) 12 GRN/YEL (Rear wiper/washer) GRN (Headlights) 14 T GRN/BLU except Navigation: (Horn relay control circuit) Navigation: (Hom relay control circuit) 16 WHT/BLK (Brake pedal position circuit) RED/BLK (Illumination (positive) circuit) RN/YEL 2WD: (DLC circuit)

4WD: (DLC circuit)



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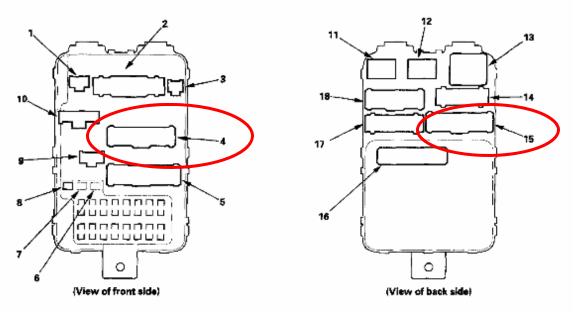
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Thank you, G Truglia

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Passenger's Under-dash Fuse/Relay Box

Socket	Ref	Terminal	Connects to
A	10	3	Right engine compartment wire harness
Accessory power socket relay	12	4	1
В	4	18	Right engine compartment wire harness
C	5	20	Right side wire harness
D	9	4	Front passenger's door wire harness
Diode	6		Not used
Diode	7		Not used
Diode	8		Front passenger's door courtesy light
E	2	20	Front passenger's door wire harness
F	3	2	Front passenger's door wire harness
G	15	18	Dashboard wire harness A
Н	17	18	Dashboard wire harness A
1	14	16	Dashboard wire harness B
J	18	16	Dashboard wire harness B
K	1 1	3	Right engine compartment wire harness
Multiplex control unit,	16	24	(Plugs directly into the fuse box)
passenger's, connector A	1 .		
Power window relay	11 .	4	
Rear window defogger relay	13	4	



The sockets for the connectors looked identical and allowed the wrong connector to be plugged in.

Connectors B and G were flipped! The body shop simply plugged the harness into the wrong spot and when the fuse box was replaced again by my shop, he put the wires back to where they were originally. I put the connectors where they were supposed to be and the car started! Even though I diagnosed a vehicle that an ASE master technician gave up on, all of with was really done with God's help. The lesson? Don't get phased out from the vehicle and always double check EVERY-THING the other shop touched.

Article by Alex Portillo

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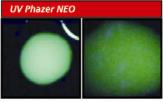
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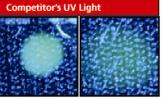
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Gar Tompkins (left) proudly displaying his Drew Technologies Mongoose Cable and Bob Powell (right) receiving his Smoke Wizard. (Con't on page 18)





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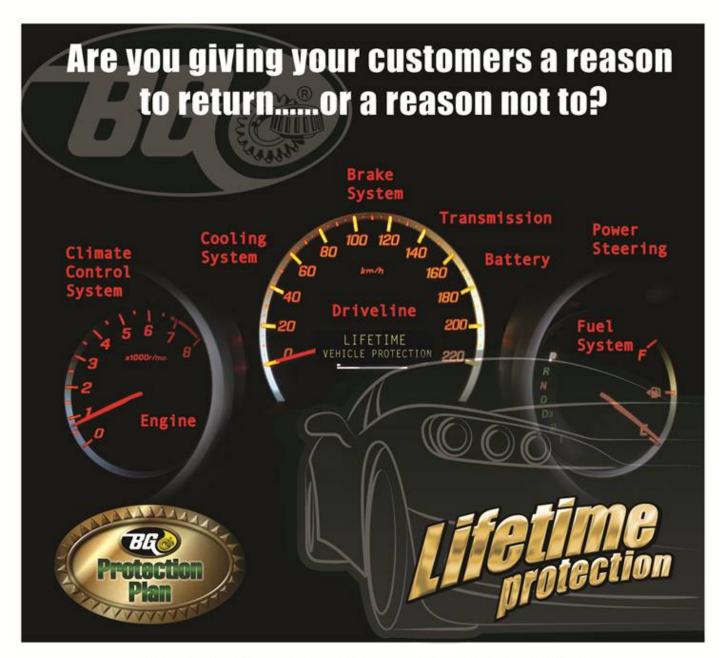




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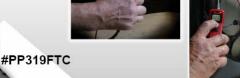
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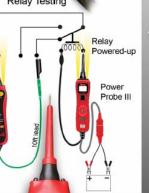




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