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Multiple Choice Quiz

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   b. Temperature rating
   c. Power rating

5. In a particular amplifier design, the operating voltage is 10V and the absolute maximum is 12V. No TVS diode is available that will be off at 10V and on before 12V. What can be done to resolve this?
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   c. Use a Schottky diode instead of a TVS diode.
   d. Use a ferrite bead on the power supply instead of a TVS diode.
   e. Option a & b
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