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Consumer Travel Tips

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Things to remember before you hit the road this **UNDAS...**



Plan trips. Picking a destination is immensely important, as it gives you a definite goal. It will help avoid congested routes and roads.

Unplug Electronics and Appliances.

Before the family leaves, someone should walk around the home and unplug every unnecessary appliance and electronics. This not only saves energy, but also reduces fire hazard should there be a power surge while no one is at home.



Check the B.L.O.W.B.A.G.

Brake. Brakes may not be the sexiest part of a car, but they're certainly one of the most crucial. Before going on for a ride, check the brake fluid and make sure it is performing at its maximum level. Check for the brake pads and gas pedal if it is 100% okay.



Lights. Go through all your lights – indicator, brake, dip, full beam, fog and so on – one by one. They should be tested and repaired, if necessary.



Oil. The oil should reach the "full" mark to consider it good. Check for oil leaks. Do not overfill.



Water. The water of the radiator should be full to prevent overheating. Check if there is a water leak. Check the windscreen washer bottle to make sure there is enough supply.

Battery. Stay charged. Check your battery to make sure it's strong and has clean terminals. A road trip is no fun if your car won't start.



Air. Assess the air pressure of tires and make sure there are no bulges and holes. If the tire treads are worn out, change tires as soon as possible.

Gasoline. Fill up before heading out on a trip as you could get stuck in traffic and have a longer ride than intended.

