### How to prepare your vehicle against winter's frigid blast

The Tinter brings with it a vast array of weather conditions that create maintenance and other challenges around the house, yard and on your car. To prepare for the harsh realities of cold and snow, there are simple steps you can take to minimize weather damage and maximize your enjoyment of the season.

For those who have to leave their cars outside in the winter, and even those who have the advantage of a garage, the cold weather can cause lots of problems for automobiles.

Deterioration of essential vehicle equipment and parts can be prevented with simple household products such as WD-40. A good spray from the blue-and-yellow can will free frozen auto distributor caps and remove moisture on electrical wiring.

During the winter it is also a good idea to spray the entire car door jamb to keep it from freezing and sticking shut. WD-40 also penetrates home and car door locks, displacing moisture and preventing freezing, and works on antennas that are frozen or jammed as well.

For those with a garage door opener, regular lubrication during the winter months helps ensure continuous smooth operation.

One of the best uses for WD-40, and one of the most surprising, is how well it works to clean your car. Grease, grime, tar and road salt can build up after just a couple of weeks of winter driving. WD-40

works well to remove these unsightly road hazards without damaging the car's paint finish.

Winter weather also increases chances of corrosion and rusting of many household items.

You can silence squeaky door hinges and loosen corroded storm window tracks with a little WD-40. A liberal spray on shovels and snow blowers will prevent snow from sticking, making the chore of clearing the driveway or sidewalk much easier.

If your plans call for going outside for some winter wonderland fun, a spray of WD-40 will lubricate ski boots to stop that annoying squeak while you are walking. It will even remove ski wax that accidentally dripped on your new ski outfit.

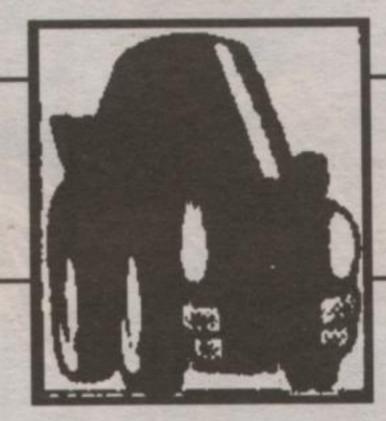
To give your sled a faster ride, spray it down with a little WD-40 and use it to remove rust, grease and grime on snow chains. Some mountaineers have even been known to spray WD-40 on their crampons to prevent snow from sticking, easing the upward climb.

Prevent problems with items that you have to leave outside for the winter by properly lubricating and coating them to protect against moisture damage so they are ready to enjoy when spring comes around.

So, when the next big chill rolls in, just remember these key prep tips for minimal damage and maximum winter fun.

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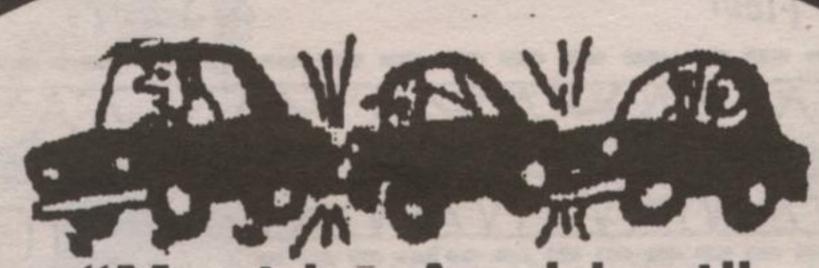
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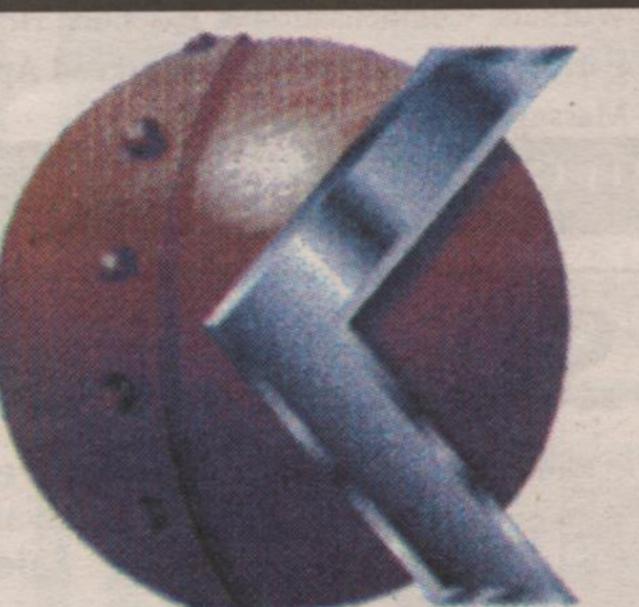
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