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# Free Gas

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Remember when gas was free? Yeah, those were the days—money grew on trees, everything was given away, and pigs were happy because they could fly. OK, back to reality: Gas is expensive, and seems to be getting more so. We all drive vehicles that are rapidly depreciating, only super models are attractive, and nothing is free, including our free gas mileage improvement trick, although it's close. Why you ask? That's the way life is. Despite life, what we are about to show

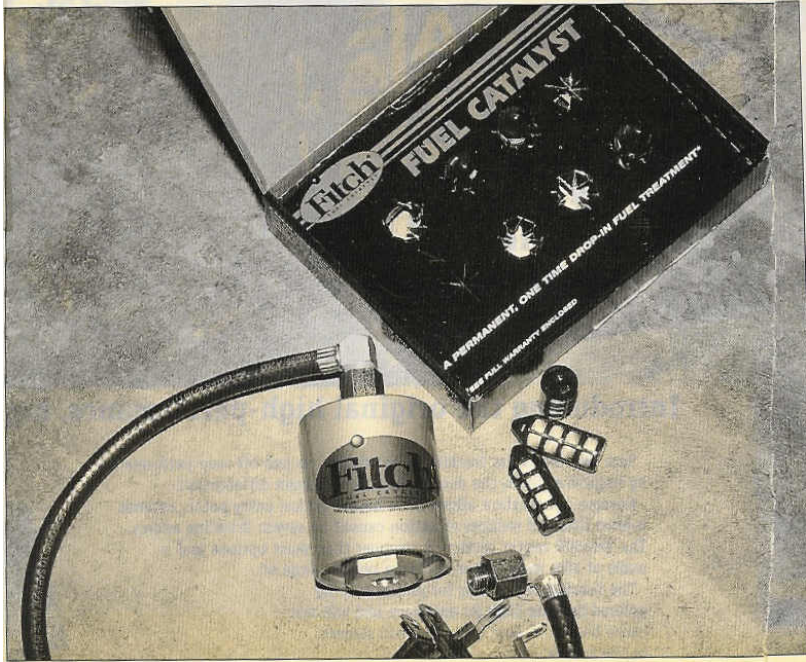


you should help you save money as a result of better gas mileage. That's right. Although nothing is free we can help you save some money, and here is how we plan on doing that.

We had a problem. Our Jeep was getting bad gas mileage for obvious reasons

like a lift, big mud tires, and a heavy right foot. Let's face it, our Jeep is never going to be a super efficient vehicle as it's too big, heavy, and is more for fun than economy, but there has to be a few tricks we can use to improve our gas mileage, and here are some we tried.

## Free Gas



## NOT QUITE FREE

There are many products out there that claim to give you better gas mileage and one can't help but be skeptical. When we first saw the Fitch Fuel Catalyst we were not sure what to do with it, but after dropping the six pill-like creations into our Jeep's tank we picked up almost 3 mpg, and unlike the block of wood there were no bad side effects associated with the Fitch Fuel Catalyst, only benefits. This permanent fuel treatment offers other benefits like reduced emissions, more power, and you no longer need to add gas stabilizers to Jeeps that are stored for part of the year. We can't comprehend what this catalyst does, but they tell us that it causes a chemical reaction that allows the gas to burn more efficiently. Sounds good to us. The Catalyst comes in either the drop-in style or as an inline unit. You may have to drop the tank to get the drop-in style into your gas tank if you own a newer Jeep. The inline Fitch Fuel Catalyst comes with AN fittings and can be installed with some parts from your local speed shop or with the installation kit which costs another \$30.

Cost: \$149

Improvement: 2.7 mpg

Percent Gained: 19.57%