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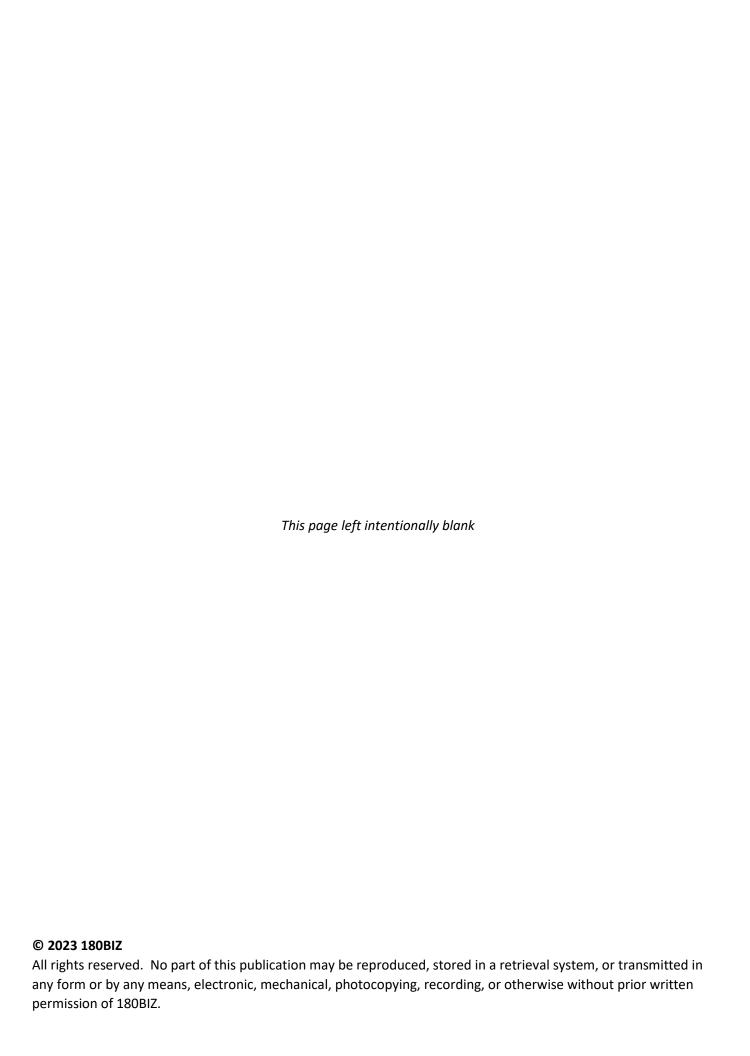
## **Selling Testing Profitably**



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### **Student Workbook**

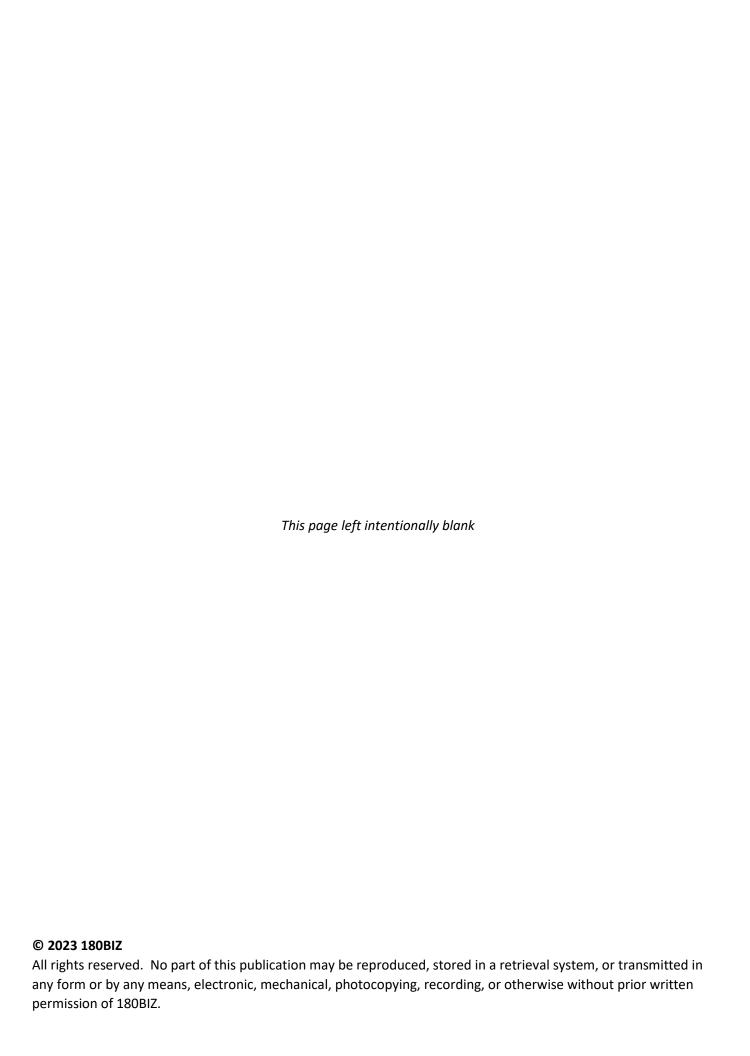






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#### **OBJECTIVES**

During this class, you will:

- Review typical testing scenarios.
- Understand why they don't work.
- See a proven way to sell testing profitably.

#### **TYPICAL TESTING SCENARIOS**

What a	re the three typical testing scenarios and why they don't work?
1.	Give it away for free:
2.	Hide the testing charges:
3.	One size fits all:
This to	TALK ABOUT SELLING TESTING?  pic is a big deal since most shops don't charge for their testing or diagnostic time. You are leaving on the table. Here are 5 huge reasons why it's such a big deal.
	Testing requires your most expensive equipment.
2.	Testing requires your most experienced and expensive technician
3.	Nothing tells a technician that you don't care faster than giving away their skill and experience.



	4.	4. Testing creates the lowest gross profit.			
	5.	5. Testing has the highest probability of a comeback			
W	/HA	T DOES TESTING	MEAN?		
				the term "testing." Testing is any operation where no parts are being used.	
Sc	me e	examples of testing are:			
	<ul> <li>Charging system analysis</li> <li>Check engine light on</li> <li>Oil leaks</li> <li>Overheating</li> <li>Coolant leaks</li> <li>Noises</li> <li>Steering pulls</li> <li>Vibrations</li> </ul>				
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LI	ET'S	S LOOK FROM A F	FINANCIAL PERSPEC	TIVE	
	,	Water Pump Repair	Diagnose a Problem		
		Hour Labor = \$ 50.00	1 Hour Labor = \$ 50.00		
	W	Vater Pump = \$ 80.00 Cust Price = \$130.00	No Parts = \$ 00.00  Cust Price = \$ 50.00		
	1	Hour Labor = \$ 20.00	1 Hour Labor = \$ 20.00		
		Vater Pump = \$ 40.00	1 Hour Labor = \$ 20.00 No Parts = \$ 00.00		
	-	Shop Cost = \$ 60.00	Shop Cost = \$ 20.00		

Gross Profit = \$ 70.00

Gross Profit = \$ 30.00



I'm Rick White.

90% of my Clients had their best year ever last year.

Did you?



SHOP OWNER ROUNDTABLES

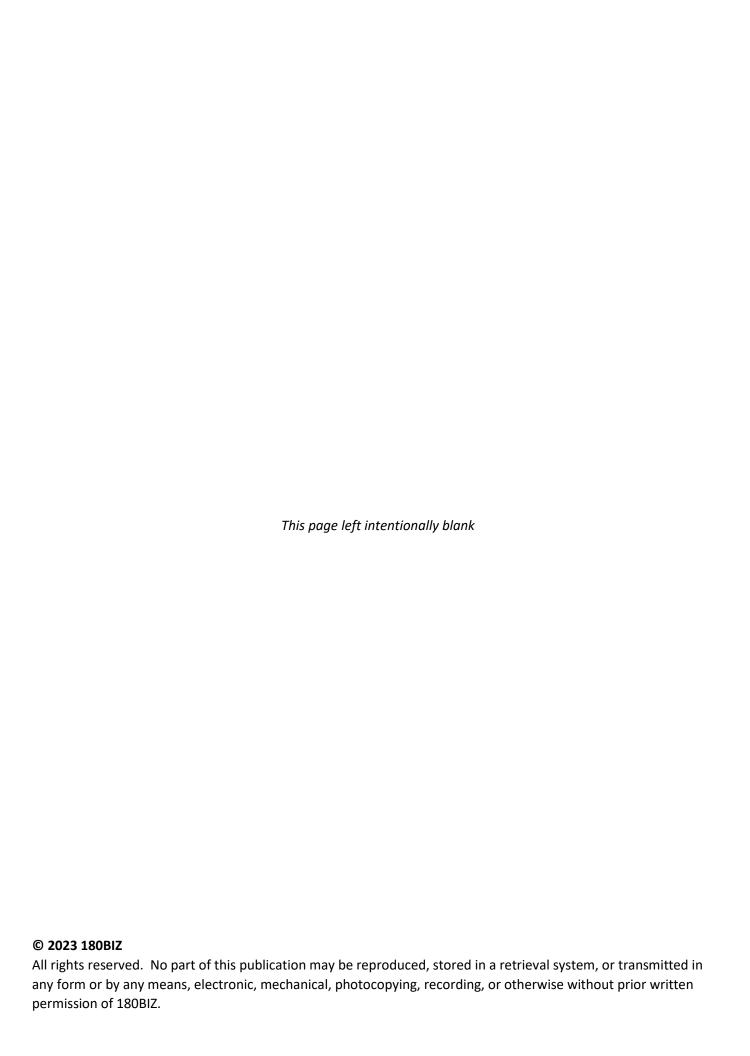
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#### Cost Control

Changing the way you charge for testing can have a dramatic effect on the profitability of the job. Let's talk about my 2-for-1 testing process as a way to make up for the loss of the parts gross profit. This also increases the efficiency of the testing technician. Why does the 2-for-1 testing model work? It's because you are controlling your costs.

You've probably seen how companies use the same size packaging and charge the same price but put less product inside the package. Cereal companies are notorious for this. Or cookie companies put a few fewer cookies in the box. Their reasoning is usually to address the high fuel costs or higher labor costs, etc. You can probably think of about a dozen scenarios where the company decided to deal with price increases by controlling costs.

#### 2-for-1 Testing



#### THE TESTING PROCESS

Never talk to a customer about hours or time when selling testing services. Speak instead about dollars, procedures, or levels of testing when discussing testing with a customer. Using different levels of testing is an excellent way to take the discussion off time with the customer. Fully understanding what's included with each level of testing will allow the advisor to communicate clearly and comfortably without hesitating when discussing the sale with the customer and this clarity will also build value with the customer.



#### **DIAGNOSTIC QUESTIONNAIRES**

A successful diagnosis and repair starts with a conversation with your customer at the front counter. The more information you get regarding their concern, the higher the chances for success.				
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These questionnaires:				
<ul> <li>Allow an advisor with limited knowledge the ability to ask the right questions.</li> </ul>				
Shortens the testing time in	n the bay due to clear explanations	of the issue and when it occurs.		
Saves the customer money	because issues are found quicker.			
Separa	tes you from the compe	etition!		
R CUSTOMER EXPEC	TATIONS			
ally, customers have four exp	ectations.			
Product: They expect a perf	fect product			
2. People: They expect to deal with friendly, caring people				
3. Time: They expect a product delivered in a timely manner				
4. Warranty: They expect you to stand behind what you do.				
	Realign	Walk Away		
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#### **SET EXPECTATIONS**

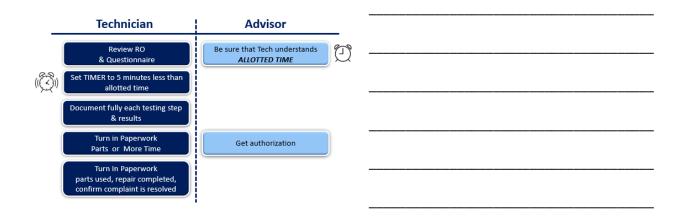
With everything documented, it's time for you to set clear expectations by communicating with your customer the preliminary charges they'll authorize now and the possibility of additional testing charges depending on your initial results.

•	Use the words "UP TO"
•	ESCALATE to Level 2
Be sure	to document your customer's authorization with a signature if they're physically in your shop.
Or if th	ey are on the phone document:
•	The date and time of the call
•	The number called (or if they called in)
•	Who authorized the testing
•	Who received the authorization
•	The amount authorized

In some states, the only authorization recognized is a signature, so you'd have to fax or email them something in this instance to get their signature. Know what your state requires and follow their guidelines. That signature will protect you from your customer trying to renege on the testing fees.



#### HELP TECHS ACHIEVE THEIR GOAL



#### **SELLING THE WORK**

When it comes time for you to sell the work your tech is recommending, ALWAYS sell it as a process of diagnosis, not a repair. Many times, a complaint can be caused by multiple problems. If the first issue is sold as a repair, it's very difficult to call the customer with additional findings. The customer may question the need for the first part replaced.

Advisor: "Yes, Mrs. Smith, we found the oxygen sensor has failed and needs to be replaced."  Customer: "Will that fix my problem?"  Advisor: "You will be all set after that!"  Advisor: "Mrs. Smith, we replaced the oxygen sensor and we now need to replace the ignition wires."  Customer: "But you said the oxygen sensor was the problem!?!"  Advisor: "We thought it was all you needed, and you did need it. But we found the ignition wires are bad too."  Customer: "Will that fix it?"  Advisor: "Yes"	Advisor: "Mrs. Smith, in the process of diagnosing your Check Engine light on, we found that the oxygen sensor has failed. Once we replace the oxygen sensor, we can proceed further with our testing."  Customer: "Well that fix it?"  Advisor: "We can't continue our testing until the sensor is replaced to know if that is all the vehicle needs." Or "Mrs. Smith, we know the oxygen sensor is an issue. Whether it's the ONLY issue at this point I can't say.  Customer: "Ok, go ahead"  Advisor: "Mrs. Smith, we replaced the sensor and were able to continue our testing process. We found the ignition wires have also failed. Replacing them will allow us to finish our testing."	
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#### **DEALING WITH GOOGLE**

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#### CONCLUSION

By following this process consistently

- There's a smooth satisfactory outcome for the customer
- The technician's time is maximized increasing his efficiency
- And the shop's profitability will be dramatically increased

Using this procedure not only increases the bottom line, the confidence gained by having a concrete plan of attack with diagnosing and testing differentiates you from your competition making you THE SHOP to go to!

#### **ABOUT RICK WHITE**



Rick White has been working in the automotive repair & automotive coaching industries for greater than thirty years and is currently an AMI-approved training instructor. He brings to the table a career's worth of technical and management experience, which includes owning and managing several successful automotive repair shops.

Currently, Rick is President of 180BIZ, a business coaching & training company proudly serving the independent auto and truck repair shop owner since 2006. Rick is acknowledged as an industry expert and has been featured in many automotive

trade publications such as AutoInc., MotorAge, Parts & People, Auto Report, Automotivation, Ratchet & Wrench, and Success Magazine. Last year, 85% of Rick's clients had their best year yet. Did you? Reach out to Rick at rick@180biz.com.

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- "We had a car back today with a blown engine the client is saying is related to the alternator replacement we did last week. How do I handle it?"
- "The shop got a negative review on Google today.
   How should I respond so I can turn it around?"
- "Mary gave her notice. I'm down a tech in the bay come Monday. How can I redistribute the schedule without losing any customers?"



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#### RICK WHITE, PRESIDENT

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