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Martin Gurdon has written about cars for the Daily Telegraph, Evening Standard and Classic Cars magazine, as well as appearing on Top Gear and Radio 4's Home Truths. He is the author of Hen and the Art of Chicken Maintenance.

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