If Your Engine Quits or Won't Start

SYMPTOM: Engine starts, but runs poorly.	
POSSIBLE CAUSE	WHAT TO DO
idles roughly, too fast, stalls	See your dealer.
overheating	Check the coolant temperature gauge. Refer to <i>If Your Engine Overheats</i> , page 241.
low oil pressure	Check the low oil pressure indicator. Refer to If the Low Oil Pressure Indicator Lights, page 243.
runs erratically, misfires	May damage catalytic converters. See your dealer.
blubbers (rich fuel mixture)	See your dealer.
sooty exhaust (rich fuel mixture)	See your dealer.
detonates or pings under load	If applicable, switch to the recommended octane gasoline (page 172) or change your brand of gasoline. If the problem persists, see your dealer.
afterfires (backfires)	May damage catalytic converters. See your dealer.
pre-ignition (runs on after ignition switched OFF)	May damage catalytic converters. See your dealer.