The ‘LEMON’ airway assessment method (adapted from Reed MJ 2005^33)

L Look externally for characteristics known to cause difficult laryngoscopy, intubation, ventilation

E Evaluate the 3-3-2 rule (incisor distance 3 finger breadths, hyoid-mental distance 3 finger breadths, thyroid-to-mouth distance 2 finger breadths)

M Mallampati (Mallampati score ≥ 3)

O Obstruction (conditions such as trauma, epiglottitis, peritonsillar abscess)

N Neck mobility (limited neck mobility)