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## 10 Hood lock(s) - removal and installation

## Removal

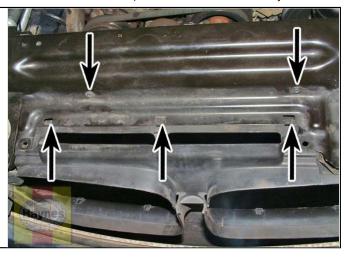
- 1 To gain access to the rear of the latch(es), remove the radiator (see Chapter 3).
- 2 On models with air conditioning, reach down under the <u>condenser</u> mounts, depress the retaining clips and slide the plastic mount covers down (see illustration). Carefully move the <u>condenser</u> backwards and down. Caution: *Do not disconnect the <u>refrigerant</u> lines.*

10.2 Depress the retaining clips and slide the plastic mounting covers down



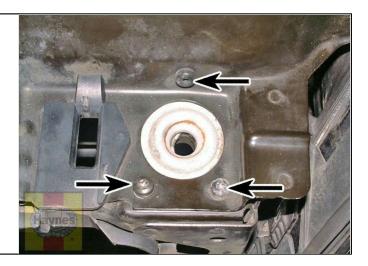
3 Remove the two screws in the center of the hood crossmember, press down the clips and remove the plastic cover to the rear (see illustration).

10.3 Remove the screws, release the clips and slide the cover to the rear



4 Loosen and remove the latch retaining screws then free the release outer cable(s) from the latch, then detach the inner cable(s) from the latch (see illustration) . Remove the latch from the vehicle.

## 10.4 Hood latch retaining screws



## Installation

- 5 Locate the hood release inner cable(s) in the latch and reconnect the outer cable(s) to the lever. Seat the latch on the crossmember.
- 6 Align the latch with the marks made prior to removal then install the bolts and tighten them securely.
- 7 Check that the latches operate smoothly when the release lever is moved, without any sign of undue resistance. Check that the hood fastens and releases satisfactorily.
- 8 Once the latches are operating correctly, install the <u>condenser</u> (where applicable) and install the radiator (see <u>Chapter 3</u>).

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