Module 3- Lesson 7– Strat Pickups Testing Pickups

So my guitar cable here – I'm going to plug it in, turn the volume and tone all the way up. So now that I have the guitar plugged into the amplifier, what I can do is making sure again everything's turned up and just lightly tap on the magnets, and then I'm going to go to my middle pickup and do the same thing, just making sure that everything is working. So here's my neck. Good. It's looking pretty good, and if you have a multimeter, here's what you can do. This is what's kind of cool about the multimeters is I'm going to set this up and make sure that it's set to ohms. There we go. And again, everything wide open. It doesn't matter which probe you use, but as long as you have one on the ground here, or the sleeve and one on the tip, it'll register.

So good. So the neck pickup is now reading roughly 6.4 which is right in the scope, so I'm going to select the middle pickup. 6.47. Good. And the bridge, and since this is a calibrated set, the bridge is a little bit hotter, so it tells me I have the right pickups in the right location and that they're working, so it's a real quick way to be able to test it using a multimeter. Now what I can do is screw back in the pickguard and put the strings on and make final adjustments to the pickup height.

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