Planning and Preparation
Pre-oxygenation for at least 3 minutes. Prepare RSI drugs as required.
Continuous O₂ via nasal cannula at 15 lpm. Have EtCO₂ connected. Continuous monitor recording.

AirTraq intubation. Able to intubate?

- YES: Confirm ETT placement
- NO: Ventilate with oral/nasal airway and face mask between attempts

Second ETT attempt? Good chance of success?
If YES, evaluate reason for failure and correct (consider laryngoscopy with bougie).
No more than two attempts to intubate in total. Able to intubate?

- YES: Confirm LMA placement and able to ventilate
- NO: Evaluate reason for failure and correct. Consider 2nd LMA attempt.

LMA? Able to ventilate?

- YES: Confirm LMA placement and able to ventilate
- NO: Evaluate reason for failure and correct. Consider 2nd LMA attempt.

Oral/nasal airway and face mask. Able to ventilate?

- YES: Continue
- NO: Surgical airway

- YES: Confirm airway placement and able to ventilate at regular intervals and after each patient movement
- NO: Confirm ETT placement

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