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Fire Safety Activities

> Harper's silliness helps deliver the well-articulated and **important lessons about emergency behavior**. Children will love the story for its charm and rollicking fun, and the salient points will make a lasting impression. **A top choice for Fire Prevention Week.**

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## Miss Mingo and The Fire Drill

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Miss Mingo wants you to color this nice firefighter. Remember they often wear yellow to stand out.

Never hide from firefighters. Their equipment might make them look scary, but they wear it to keep them safe.

| Miss Mi<br>and<br>Fire | Ingo<br>the<br>Drill Wiss Mingo wants you<br>to complete these<br>sentences about good<br>behavior during fire<br>drills. |
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|                        | When you hear the fire alarm at school you should   |
|                        | Stop  |
|                        | Get in line with a  |
|                        | No!   |
|                        | Follow the route out of the building.   |
|                        | If the primary route is blocked, you should take the<br>route out of the building.  |
|                        | Go to designated spot outside and up.   |



Miss Mingo hopes you talk with your family about fire safety at home with these tips.

Sadly, fires sometimes start in family homes. You can be safer from fire by following these tips from Chief Grizzly...

- Test your smoke detectors once a month and replace the batteries in the smoke detector once a year.

- Never leave candles burning alone in a room.

- Never put anything over or touching a lightbulb.

 Plan and practice a "primary" and "secondary" (two different ways) escape plan from your all rooms in your house, but ESPECIALLY from your bedroom.

- Plan a place to meet outside if there is a fire.

- Put the attached Chief Grizzly Poster on the back of your bedroom door and read it once a month.



- Never hide. Fire is scary, but it will be scarier if you stay in the house.

- Put your hands all over your door. If it is HOT, the fire could be on the other side of the door. DO NOT leave by this door. Find another way outside.

- When you leave your room, stay close to the ground. Staying low will allow you to breath air that is not so smokey.

- If fire gets on your clothes, STOP, DROP, and ROLL.

- Follow the escape plan you have practiced with your family.

- Get out of the house fast and go to the outside meeting place you have planned with your family.

- Do not take anything with you and DO NOT go back inside for anything.

FAMILIES: Place this poster on the back of your child's bedroom door and read and discuss it periodically together. Visit http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/kids/flash.shtm for more information.