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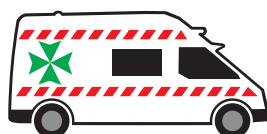
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Unit 1 Fire Safety at Home



Fire Safety and You

1 Read the question and the tick the answers.

a What type of building do you live in ?

☐ house ☐ flat ☐ town house ☐ semi-detached

b How much do you know about home fire safety ?

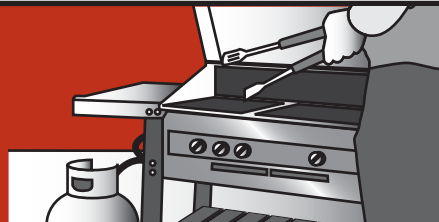
☐ nothing ☐ a little ☐ a lot

c Which words do you know ?

☐ smoke alarms ☐ chemicals
☐ home escape plan ☐ home fire safety

2 These words are about fire dangers. Write the words in the box under the correct picture.

frayed power cord	barbeque	leaving cooking on the stove
chemicals	candles	cigarettes



a

b

c



d

e

f

3 These are fire words. Put the nouns in the box into the columns.

fire blanket	clothes dyers	home-escape plans	candles	fire extinguisher
cigarettes	smoke alarms	heaters	power-points	fire brigade
lighter	chemicals	matches	fuel	barbeques

Things that can cause fires	Things that can save your life

4 These instructions are about safety in the kitchen. Match the instructions with the pictures.

<p>a</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not leave the kitchen when you are cooking.
<p>b</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep your clothing away from heat and tie up long hair.
<p>c</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn pot handles inwards.

Fire Safety in the Home

1 Read this information.

Home fire safety plan

This information is from a report by NSW Fire Brigades written in 2005.

Where do most house-fires happen?

✦ kitchen (45.8%) ✦ sleeping areas (11.6%) ✦ living area (9%)

What causes most house-fires?

✦ 19% are caused by cooking appliances and equipment

✦ 3% are caused by heating appliances

Are you fire safe in the home?

Do you know what to do in a house fire?

If you need to escape from a house fire, will you be able to do so safely?



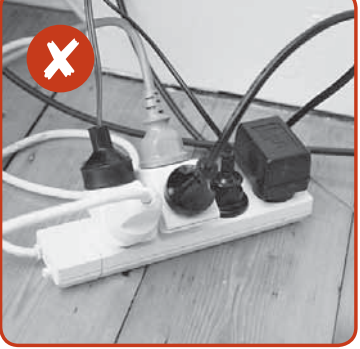

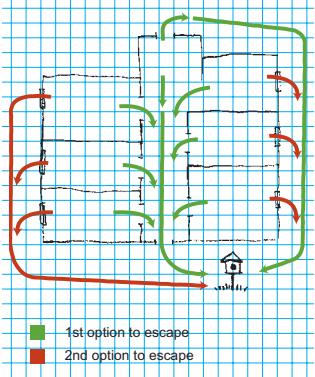

Keeping your home safe from fire

- Install smoke alarms in suitable places and test them monthly.
- Prepare a home-escape plan in case of fire and practise it regularly.
- Make sure you have keys to all locked doors in case you need to escape.
- Never leave cooking or any other open flame unattended.
- Clean the lint filter in your clothes dryer each and every time you use it.
- Never smoke in bed and be careful when you drink alcohol and smoke.
- In winter take extra care when using heaters, electric blankets or open fires.
- Do not overload power-points and switch off appliances when not in use.
- Always keep lighters and matches away from children.
- Store chemicals and fuels in a safe place.
- Check your barbeque is safe before you light it.

Now use the information to do these exercises.

- 2 Match the instructions in the box with the correct picture. Write the numbers in the boxes. One has been done for you.

1 Replace your smoke alarm battery yearly.	2 Prepare a home-escape plan.	3 Clean the lint filter in your clothes dryer.
4 Do not overload power-points.	5 Take care with heaters.	6 Switch off appliances when not in use.

<p>a <input type="text"/></p> 	<p>b <input type="text" value="3"/></p> 	<p>c <input type="text"/></p> 
<p>d <input type="text"/></p> 	<p>e <input type="text"/></p> 	<p>f <input type="text"/></p> 

- 3 Use the verbs in the box to complete these fire safety instructions. One has been done for you.

smoke	keep	leave
Check	have	Store

- a Make sure you have keys to all locked doors in case you need to escape.
- b Never _____ cooking or any other open flame unattended.
- c Never _____ in bed and be careful when you drink alcohol and smoke.
- d Always _____ lighters and matches away from children.
- e _____ chemicals and fuels in a safe place.
- f _____ your barbeque is safe before you light it.

Imperatives

We use the imperative form to tell someone what to do or to give instructions. This means that the verb goes first.

Example: **Install** suitable smoke alarms and **test** them monthly.

We use **don't** to form negative imperatives.

Example: **Don't** overload power points

4 Read these instructions. Cross out Do or Don't. One has been done for you

- a Do ~~Don't~~ test your smoke alarms monthly.
- b Do Don't have regular fire drill/practice.
- c Do Don't keep all your doors locked at all times.
- d Do Don't stay away from the stove while you are cooking.
- e Do Don't clean your dryer filter every time you use it.
- f Do Don't be careful when you use electric blankets or heaters.
- g Do Don't let your children play with matches.
- h Do Don't safely store chemicals and fuels.
- i Do Don't regularly clean your gutters if you live near bushland.

Markers of time, manner and place

To add more information to instructions, we add markers or circumstances such as:

Time eg: soon, then **Place** eg: on the table, in Sydney
Manner eg: quickly

5 Underline the markers in the following instructions. Tick if they are time or place. One has been done for you.

	Time	Place
a Install smoke alarms <u>in the correct position</u> and test them monthly.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b Never smoke in bed and be careful when you drink alcohol and smoke.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c In winter take extra care when using heaters, electric blankets or open fires.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d Clean the lint filter in your clothes dryer each and every time you use it.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e Always keep lighters and matches away from children.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f Store chemicals in a safe place.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g Check your barbeque is safe before you light it.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

How to Save Yourself from a House Fire

1 Tick the fire dangers you have in your home.

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> candles | <input type="checkbox"/> overloaded power-points | <input type="checkbox"/> heaters |
| <input type="checkbox"/> chemicals | <input type="checkbox"/> clothes dryer | <input type="checkbox"/> barbeque |
| <input type="checkbox"/> electric blankets | <input type="checkbox"/> fuels | <input type="checkbox"/> matches |

2 Tick the fire safety things you have in your home.

- | | | |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> smoke alarm | <input type="checkbox"/> fire safety plan | <input type="checkbox"/> keys to all doors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> windows that can open | | |

3 Read the following instructions and underline the verbs in the imperative form.

1



Help those in immediate danger

2



Close the door to stop the fire spreading

3



Get down under the smoke and go outside

4



Go to your meeting place, Do NOT go back

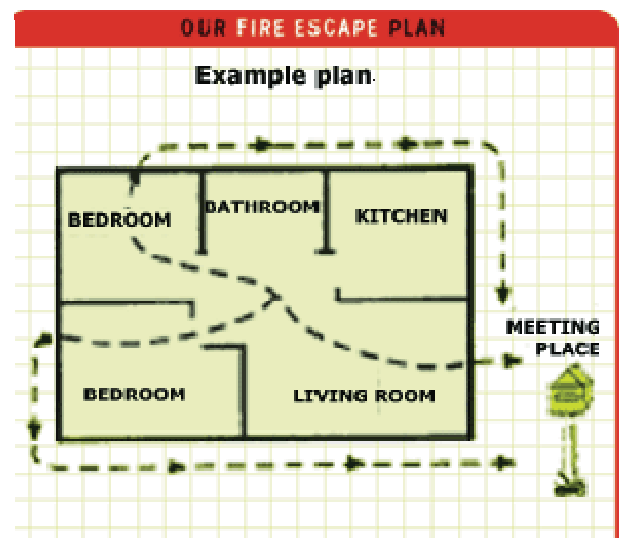
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Call 000 from a safe location

4 Read this information about fire escape plans.

- Know two ways out of every room.
- Make sure your windows can open.
- Decide on an outside meeting place.
- Draw your escape plan.
- Talk about the escape plan with everyone in the house.
- Practise your escape plan regularly.



5 Read the information.

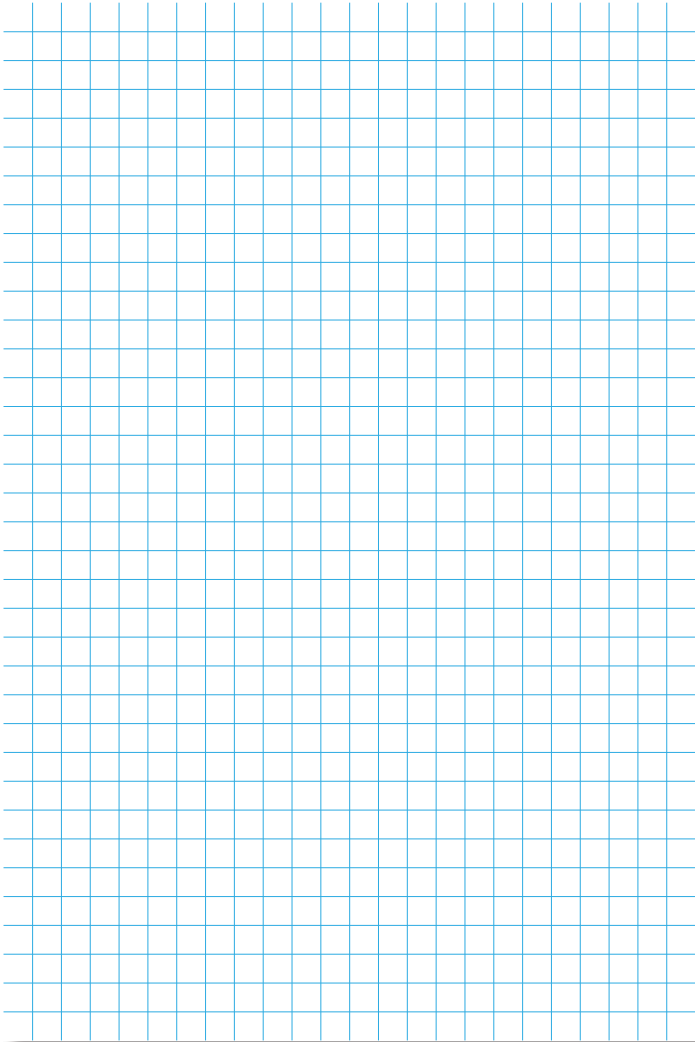
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BE PREPARED: Have a Home Escape Plan

In the event of a fire a working **Smoke Alarm** used in conjunction with an **Escape Plan** will greatly increase your chances of getting out safely.

Draw your **Escape Plan** on the grid - then place it where your family will see it - for example, on your fridge.



- ✓ Include two means of escape from each room.
- ✓ Discuss it with other occupants.
- ✓ Make sure that windows and screens can be easily opened.
- ✓ Provide alternatives for anyone with a disability.
- ✓ The first priority is to get out of a burning house.
- ✓ If there is a fire close the door as you are leaving a room to prevent fire and smoke from spreading.
- ✓ When there is smoke, always crawl low to get under the smoke.
- ✓ Decide on a safe outside meeting place eg. near the letterbox and phone from a safe phone.
- ✓ Once you get out, never go back inside a burning building.
- ✓ Practise your plan at least twice a year, making sure that everyone is involved.



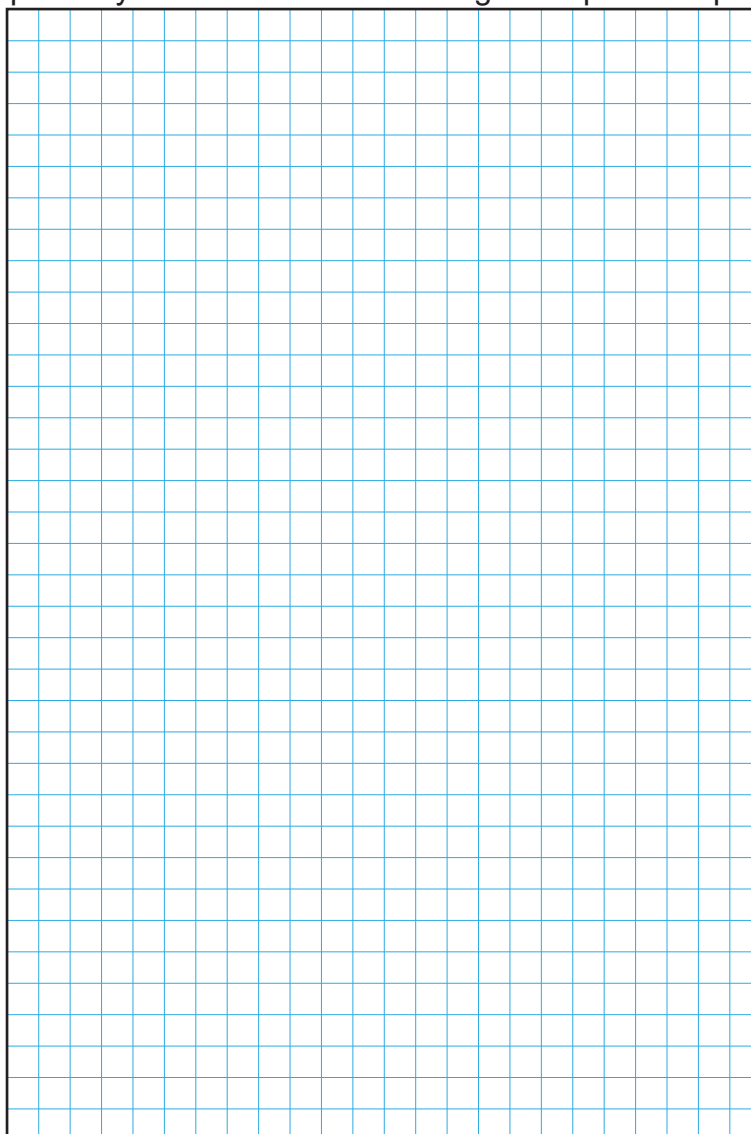
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- 6 Match the words with their meanings. Use your dictionary to help you.

a means of escape		▪ problem with the body or mind
b occupants		▪ covers on windows to keep insects out
c screens		▪ first thing you must do
d alternative		▪ move on hands and knees
e disability		▪ people who live in a house or flat
f first priority		▪ way out of the house or flat
g crawl		▪ another way

- 7 Draw the plan of your house or flat on this grid. Explain the plan to a partner.



Now work with your partner to draw your escape plan from the house or flat.

- 8 Now draw the escape plan on this grid. Take it home and put it on your refrigerator. Don't forget to explain the escape plan and the information to the people you live with.

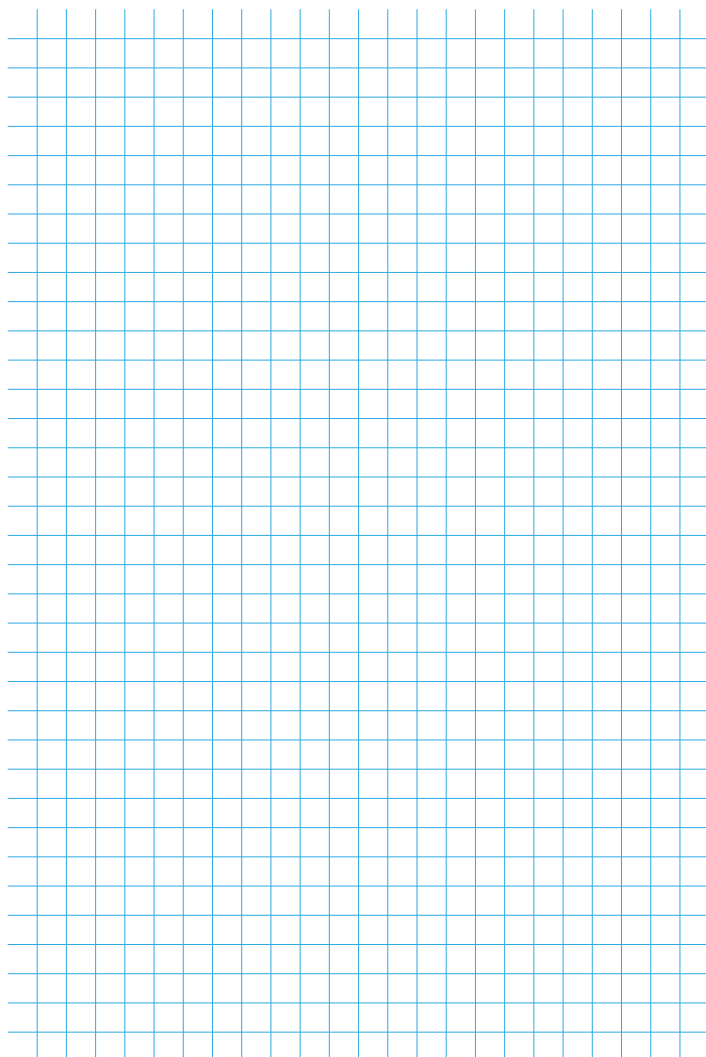
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Fire Safety in High-Rise Buildings

- 1 Read these instructions for fire safety in high-rise buildings.

Fire fighting equipment

On every level of the building there will be fire-fighting equipment such as fire hose reels and portable fire extinguishers.

- You MUST know where the fire hose reels and portable fire extinguishers are.
- Learn how to use the fire hose reels and portable fire extinguishers.
- Make sure your flat has working smoke alarms installed.

Fire-escape plan

- You MUST know where the emergency exits are. They are green and white.
- NEVER use the lifts when there is a fire.
- Decide on an outside meeting place.
- Draw an escape plan.
- Talk about the escape plan with everyone in the flat.
- Practise the escape plan regularly.

Fire stairs

Fire stairs will lead you to a safe place away from the building.

- NEVER leave a fire stair door open.
- NEVER leave anything in the fire stairs at anytime!
- Report any problems with fire stairs and fire doors to the management immediately.

Fire safety tips

If you cannot escape by the fire stairs:

- Close all windows and doors to stop the smoke entering your flat.
- Phone 000 and tell the operator there is a fire in your block of flats.
- Tell the operator your flat number and that you are unable to get out of the building.
- If you are unable to use the phone go to the balcony and shout to passers-by.



2 Answer these questions about fire safety in high-rise buildings.

a What are two pieces of fire equipment in high-rise buildings?

b What fire safety equipment should you have in your flat?

c What colour are the exit signs?

d If there is a fire, how should you leave the building?

e How do you make sure fire stairs are safe at all times?

f If you can't get out of your flat, what should you do?

Unit 2 Smoke Alarms



Group Survey

1 In a group of six ask your classmates about fire alarms. Use this grid.

Questions	Me	Student 1	Student 2	Student 3	Student 4	Student 5
Is there a smoke alarm in your house or flat?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you know where to buy a smoke alarm?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you ever installed a smoke alarm?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you check your smoke alarm monthly?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

2 Tell the class about the results of your group survey.

Fire Words

1 Work with a partner. Cross out the words that do not belong. The first one has been done for you.

a	smoke	fire	burn	danger	garden
b	alarm	alert	warn	fun	danger
c	device	appliance	sandwich	alarm	battery
d	fumes	somke	walk	fire	smell
e	paper	sound	noise	loud	alarm
f	detect	see	know	find	sleep
g	toxic	poison	death	day	danger
h	sense	smell	hair	taste	feel
i	hallways	park	kitchen	bedroom	living room
j	evacuate	leave	escape	danger	music

Smoke Alarms

- 1 Read this information about smoke alarms.

Smoke Alarms

A smoke alarm is a life-saving device. It detects smoke and sends out a loud sharp sound to alert you.

According to the law, all homes **MUST** be fitted with smoke alarms. Smoke alarms reduce deaths from houses fires by 50%.

When you go to sleep, you cannot smell smoke and smoke puts you into a deeper sleep. You may not know your house is on fire. If there is a fire, toxic fumes may overcome you before you wake up.

Therefore you should install a smoke alarm where it can detect smoke before it reaches the bedrooms. This will give everyone time to evacuate. The best place is in hallways leading to bedrooms.

Don't put smoke alarms near cooking appliances or bathrooms. This will avoid false alarms.

You **MUST** test smoke alarms every month to ensure that the battery and the alarm are working.

You can buy smoke alarms at most hardware shops and department stores.

- 2 Write the number of the paragraph where you find the information to answer these questions. One has been done for you.

Information	Paragraph
a What is a smoke alarm?	1
b How does a smoke alarm work?	
c What does the law say about smoke alarms?	
d What is the safety record of smoke alarms?	
e Why is it more dangerous to be asleep when a fire starts?	
f Where should people put a smoke alarm?	
g Where should people not put a smoke alarm?	
h How often should people check their smoke alarms?	
i Where can people buy a smoke alarm?	

3 Read the information about smoke alarms again. Tick true or false.

	True	False
a When you sleep, you cannot smell any smoke.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b Smoke puts you into a deeper sleep.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c If you are sleeping you will know that your house is on fire.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d Smoke alarms increase house fire deaths by more than 50%.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e You should place a smoke alarm near your stove.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f You should test your smoke alarm once a year.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g You can buy a smoke alarm in a toy shop.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4 Use the words in the box to complete the sentences.

labour-saving	time-saving	life-saving
water-saving	money-saving	fuel-saving

- a A microwave saves us time when cooking. It is a _____ - _____ device.
- b A smoke alarm saves lives. It is a _____ - _____ device.
- c A gas heater saves us money. It is a _____ - _____ device.
- d A washing machine makes housework easier. It is a _____ - _____ device.
- e A hybrid car uses less petrol. It is a _____ - _____ device.
- f An environmental showerhead saves water. It is a _____ - _____ device.

5 Read the sentences. Tick the correct meaning of the underlined words.

- a A smoke alarm detects smoke and sends out a loud sharp sound to alert you.
☐ to hit you ☐ to let you know ☐ to show you
- b If there is a fire, toxic fumes may overcome you before you wake up.
☐ may kill you ☐ may put you into a deeper sleep

c This will give everyone time to evacuate.

☒ to leave

☒ to wake up

☒ to warn everyone

Noun groups

Noun groups give us information about people, places and things in sentences.

A noun group can consist of a **noun**.

Example: *an **alarm***

A noun group can consist of a noun and words which describe the noun.

Example: *a smoke **alarm** a sharp loud **sound***

6 Read the information about smoke alarms again. Find noun groups to complete these sentences.

a A smoke alarm is a _____.

b It detects smoke and sends out _____.

c _____ MUST be fitted with smoke alarms.

d Smoke puts you into _____.

e _____ may overcome you before you wake up.

f _____ to put an alarm is in hallways.

g Don't put smoke alarms near _____ or
bathrooms.

h This will avoid _____.

i You can buy smoke alarms at most _____ and
_____.

Installing Smoke Alarms

- 1 Read this information about installing smoke alarms.

Smoke Alarms

There are two types of smoke alarms:

- 1 Battery powered smoke alarms can easily be installed by home owners or handymen.
- 2 Hard wired smoke alarms must be installed by a licensed electrician or professional installer.

NSW Fire Brigades recommends the installation of hard wired smoke alarms.

Always read the smoke alarm instructions before installing.

Smoke alarms work best when they are installed on the ceiling, away from walls and fittings.

The law requires one smoke alarm to be installed on each level of a house or flat.

NSW Fire Brigades recommend installing smoke alarms:

- in the hallways leading from the kitchen to the bedrooms
- in all bedrooms.

Read the information about installing smoke alarms again. Answer these questions.

- a Who can install a battery powered smoke alarms?

- b Who must install a hardwired smoke alarms?

- c What must you read before installing a smoke alarm?

- d Where is the best place to install a smoke alarm?

- e How many smoke alarms does the law say must be installed?

- f Where does NSW Fire Brigades say to install smoke alarms?

- 3 Read the information about installing smoke alarms again. Find phrases of place, time and manner to complete these sentences.
- Battery powered smoke alarms can easily be installed _____ or handymen.
 - Hardwired smoke alarms must be installed _____ or professional installer.
 - Always read the smoke alarm instructions _____.
 - Smoke alarms work best when they are installed _____, away from walls and fittings.
 - The law requires one smoke alarm to be installed _____ of a house or flat.
 - NSW Fire Brigades recommend installing smoke alarms _____ leading from the kitchen to the bedrooms and in all bedrooms.

- 4 Look at this house plan. Complete these sentences.



- There are _____ smoke alarms in this house.
- There are _____ bedrooms in this house.
- There is a smoke alarm _____ the living room and the study.
- There are smoke alarms in all the _____.
- There is a smoke alarm in the hallway _____ the laundry, toilet and bathroom.

Checking Smoke Alarms

1 Read these instructions.

Checking smoke alarms

- Test your smoke alarm every month to make sure the battery and alarm are working.
- Clean your smoke alarm every six months with your vacuum cleaner.
- If your smoke alarm has an alkaline battery, change the battery once a year. Change your battery when you change your clock for daylight saving.
- If your smoke alarm has a lithium battery, you do not need to change the battery every year.
- Install a new smoke alarm every ten years.
- If your smoke alarm gives out a short beep every 60 seconds, the battery power is low and you must change the battery.

2 Match the instructions with the time.

a Test you smoke alarm.	▪ every six months
b Clean your smoke alarm.	▪ every ten years
c Change your alkaline smoke alarm battery.	▪ every month
d Install a new smoke alarm.	▪ once a year

Unit 3 Fire Safety and Children



It's not a toy!

1 Read this recount.

Don't play with matches

The McGowan family had an eventful day yesterday. Mary McGowan and her four young daughters went to the supermarket. They had invited friends over for a barbeque on the weekend so Mary bought boxes of matches to light the barbeque.

After shopping Mary put the shopping bags on the kitchen floor. Mary was unpacking the bags when the phone rang. While Mary chatted to her sister, her three-year-old daughter Rachael looked for lollies in the shopping bags.

Suddenly Mary heard Rachael screaming. She threw down the phone and raced to the kitchen. The tablecloth was on fire. The flame was spreading very quickly and it started to burn the edge of the curtain.

Amy, the eldest daughter, ran next door and told the neighbours that her house was on fire.

Ray Thomas, the next-door neighbour, dashed to Amy's house. He grabbed a garden hose in the front yard and turned on the tap. He rushed through the door and immediately sprayed the water on the fire. He told the girls to get out of the house.

Ray's teenage daughter, Kim, called triple zero for help. The firemen arrived in five minutes but Ray and Mary had managed to put the fire out.

It was a happy ending even though Rachel was frightened and had slightly burnt her finger. The McGowans had to toss out their tablecloth and get a new curtain. Two weeks later they invited Ray and his family in for a barbeque to thank them.

The McGowans learnt a few lessons from this experience. Mary learnt not to leave matches near her children and the daughters learnt not to play with matches. The family also made a fire-escape plan, installed smoke alarms around the house and bought a fire extinguisher.

2 Read the recount again. Write the correct names to complete the sentences.

- a _____ is the next door neighbour.
- b _____ is the three-year-old daughter.
- c Mrs McGowan's name is _____.
- d _____ is the McGowan's eldest daughter.
- e _____ is Ray's teenage daughter.

3 Read the recount again. Match the people with the actions.

a Mary McGowan	■ invited Ray and his family to a barbeque.
b Rachael McGowan	■ grabbed the garden hose.
c Amy McGowan	■ phoned 000.
d Ray Thomas	■ played with matches.
e Kim Thomas	■ ran next door.
f The McGowans	■ bought matches.

4 When you tell or write a recount, you need to put the events in the order they happened. Read the recount again and number the events in the correct order. The first one has been done for you.

- ☐ The fire engine arrived.
- ☐ The McGowans installed smoke alarms and made a fire-escape plan.
- ☒ 1 Mary and her children went to the supermarket.
- ☐ Rachael played with matches and started the fire.
- ☐ Ray and Mary put out the fire.
- ☐ Mary left the grocery bags on the floor.
- ☐ Ray ran and picked up the garden hose.
- ☐ Mary answered the phone.
- ☐ Kim phoned 000.
- ☐ Ray sprayed the water on the fire.
- ☐ Amy ran next door to get help.

5 Complete these noun groups from the recount.

- a the _____ family
- b an _____ day
- c her four _____ daughters
- d the _____ bags
- e the _____ floor
- f her _____ daughter Rachael
- g the _____ of the curtain.
- h Amy, the _____ daughter
- i Ray Thomas, the _____ neighbour
- j a _____ hose
- k the _____ yard
- l Ray's _____ daughter, Kim
- m a _____ ending
- n a _____ curtain
- o a _____ lessons
- p a _____ plan
- q a _____ extinguisher

Children and Fires








- 1 Discuss this information in a group.

Did you know that every year at least 3 000 fires (around 10 per cent of all fires) in NSW were possibly started by children?

Unfortunately, some of the children who died or were injured in home fires actually lit the fire themselves.

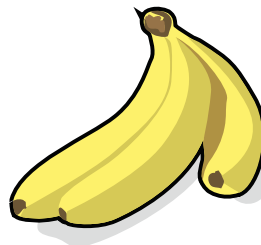
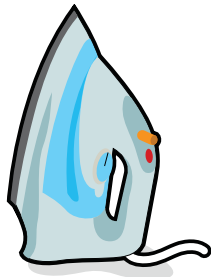
What do you think is the most common way children start fires?

- 2 Read what the NSW Fire Brigade advises families. Tick if Mary followed their advice.

		Mary McGowan followed this advice	
	a Teach children that fire is not a toy.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	b Keep lighters and matches away from children.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	c Install smoke alarms and check them monthly.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	d Know where you children are and what they are doing at all times.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	e Teach your children fire survival skills such as <i>Get down low and go go go</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	f Practise a home-escape plan with your children.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
	g Teach your children to call 000 BUT only in an emergency.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

What's Hot?

Cross out what can be hot



- 4 It is good to teach children fire safety through songs they will learn at school. Here are three fire safety songs you can teach your children. Ask your teacher for the tunes.

<p>Song 1: Tune: Three blind mice</p> <p>To teach children what to do if their clothes catch on fire</p>	<p>Song 2: Tune: Mary had a little lamb</p> <p>To teach children not to play with matches</p>
<p>STOP, DROP and ROLL STOP, DROP and ROLL Here's what to do If this should happen to you If ever your clothes should catch alight Don't you panic and run in fright Because you know that it wouldn't be right You STOP, DROP and ROLL</p>	<p>Matches are for lots of things Lots of things, lots of things, Matches are for lots of things That grown up people do. If I ever find a match Find a match, find a match If I ever find a match I know just what I'll do. I'll go and tell a grown up person Grown up friend, grown up person, I'll go and tell a grown up person Cause that's the thing to do</p>
<p>Song 3: Tune: Skip to my lou</p> <p>To teach children about fire safety</p>	
<p>I hear a fire alarm, what do I do? I hear a fire alarm, what do I do? I hear a fire alarm, what do I do? Get down low and go, go, go. Get down low and go, go, go Get down low and go, go, go Get down low and go, go, go Tell an adult as I go Off to the letterbox here I go Off to the letter box here I go Off to the letter box here I go My safe meeting place, this I know</p>	<p>Get out, stay out, don't go back Get out, stay out, don't go back Get out, stay out, don't go back Leave everything behind I found matches what do I do? I found matches what do I do? I found matches what do I do? Tell an adult –that's what I'll do!</p>

(Adapted from Fire Ed Materials www.fire.nsw.gov.au)

Making your Children Safe from Fire

1 Here is a checklist of things you need to teach your children about fire safety.

- ☐ Get out of the house if you hear the smoke alarm.
- ☐ If you smell smoke, get down on your hands and knees and crawl to the door.

GET DOWN LOW AND GO GO GO!

- ☐ Remember to use the home fire escape plan.
- ☐ If there is a fire, leave the house and go to the letterbox. Wait there for mummy and daddy.
- ☐ Do not go back into the house.
- ☐ Ask someone to call 000.
- ☐ Do not play with matches.

Unit 4 Emergency Calls



What is an Emergency?

- 1 Read this definition of an emergency from the *Macquarie Learners Dictionary*.

Emergency: *an unexpected serious happening that needs action at once*

- 2 Read this list of happenings. Tick if they are emergencies.

Happenings	Emergency?	
a a house fire	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
b a power failure	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
c a road accident and people are injured	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
d a bomb threat	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
e a noisy neighbour	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
f bumping into the gutter as you park your car	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
g finding someone unconscious in the street	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
h your child is sick with a cold	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
i child caught in a fence	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

- 3 List the three emergency services.

- 4 Tick the number you ring in Australia for the emergency services.

☐ 911 ☐ 000 ☐ 999

- 5 Are emergency calls free?

☐ YES ☐ NO

Calling the Fire Brigade

- 1 Listen to the questions on Track 1. Tick the questions you will be asked if you call **000**.

- ☐ Fire, ambulance or police?
- ☐ What is wrong?
- ☐ What's your name?
- ☐ What is the address?
- ☐ What is your date of birth?
- ☐ When did you arrive in Australia?
- ☐ Where is the nearest cross street?
- ☐ What is your telephone number?
- ☐ Are you married?

- 2 Listen to the conversation on Track 2. Number the questions in the order you hear them.

- ☐ What's the nearest cross street?
- ☐ Where exactly is the fire?
- ☐ Is anyone inside the house?
- ☐ Is that C – H – O – W ?
- ☐ And what's your name?
- ☐ Emergency. Police, Fire or Ambulance?
- ☐ And your telephone number?
- ☐ Where are you?

- 3 Listen to the conversation again on Track 2. Write the answers. Use the words in the box. Then practise with a partner.

Forrest St.	Flat 14 43 Barton Rd.
I don't know.	Fire, please.
45 Barton Road Aston.	42 – 97 – 64 – 25.
My name's Tania Chau.	Yes that's right.

Operator 1: Emergency. Police, Fire or Ambulance?

Tania: _____.

.....

Operator 2: Fire Brigade.

Tania: There's a fire in the house next door.

Operator 2: Where exactly is the fire?

Tania: It's at _____.

Operator 2: Is that B-A-R-T-O-N?

Tania: _____.

Operator 2: What's the nearest cross street?

Tania: _____.

Operator 2: Where are you?

Tania: I'm in _____.

Operator 2: And what's your name?

Tania: _____.

Operator 2: Is that C-H-O-W?

Tania: No C-H-A-U.

Operator 2: And your telephone number?

Tania: _____.

Operator 2: Is anyone inside the house?

Tania: _____.

Operator 2: OK. We'll have someone there as soon as possible.

- 4 Listen to the conversations on Track 3. Tick the way the people say the information is correct. This is called *confirming*.

<p>Conversation 1</p> <p>A: Hello. I'd like to speak to Tom please.</p> <p>B: Tom Jones.</p> <p>A: <input type="checkbox"/> Right.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> That's right.</p> <p>B: I'll put you through.</p>	<p>Conversation 2</p> <p>A: And what's your name?</p> <p>B: Nola Braun.</p> <p>A: B – R – A – U – N?</p> <p>B: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes and Nola is N- O – L – A.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Right and Nola is N- O – L – A.</p>
<p>Conversation 3</p> <p>A: Can I have you phone number?</p> <p>B: 8829 – 90 – 00.</p> <p>A: Double 8 2 double 9 triple zero?</p> <p>B: <input type="checkbox"/> Right.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Correct.</p>	<p>Conversation 4</p> <p>A: What's your address?</p> <p>B: 14/325 Pittwater Rd Dee Why.</p> <p>A: Is that 14 one four?</p> <p>B: <input type="checkbox"/> Right.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Correct.</p>


- 5 Listen to the questions and answers on Track 4. Tick the way the people correct the information.

<p>Conversation 1</p> <p>A: Hello. I'd like to speak to Tom please.</p> <p>B: Tom Jones?</p> <p>A: <input type="checkbox"/> No Tom Said.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No I want Tom Said</p> <p>B: I'll put you through.</p>	<p>Conversation 2</p> <p>A: And what's your name?</p> <p>B: Nola Braun.</p> <p>A: B – R – O – W – N?</p> <p>B: <input type="checkbox"/> B – R – A – U – N.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No it's B – R – A – U – N.</p>
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- 6 Listen to the stress in the corrections on Track 5. Repeat the correction. Then practise with a partner.

Correction 1 A: I live at 14 Barton Rd. B: 40 Barton Rd? A: No, fourteen Barton Rd.	Correction 2 A: My name is Chan. B: C-H-E-N? A: No C-H-A-N.
Correction 3 A: It's \$300. B: \$100? A: No, three hundred dollars	Correction 4 A: Have you got any orange juice? B: Oranges? A: No, orange juice .
Correction 5 A: They're a bit tight for me. B: A bit too light? A: A bit too tight	Correction 6 A: Can I come about 8 o'clock? B: 8.00am? A: No 8.00 pm

- 7 Read this poster.



STANDARD FIRE ORDERS


ACTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED ON
DISCOVERING A FIRE:

R "Rescue" any person/s in immediate danger
(Only if safe to do so)


A "Alarm" Raise the alarm and follow your emergency procedures

C "Contain" Close doors to contain the fire and smoke


E "Extinguish" Attempt to extinguish the fire **only** if you are trained and it is safe to do so




RESCUE



ALARM



CONTAIN



EXTINGUISH

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- 8 Match the letters with the words and the words with the meanings.

R	Extinguish	▪ hold in one place
A	Rescue	▪ warning sound or signal
C	Contain	▪ put out
E	Alarm	▪ save from danger

Practise your skills

- 1 Read this story.

It is about 8 o'clock in the evening. You and your friend are walking down Falcon St Newport when you see smoke coming from a shop at 17 Falcon St. It is near the corner of Herbert St. The shop is closed and all the lights in the shop are off. There is no one else around on the street.

- 2 You must ring 000 on your mobile. Write down the information you need.

What service do you need? _____

What is wrong? _____

Where is the fire? _____

What is the nearest cross street? _____

Where are you? _____

What's your name? _____

How do you spell your name? _____

What's your telephone number? _____

Is anyone inside the shop? _____

3 With your partner practise calling 000.

Operator 1: Emergency. Police, Fire or Ambulance?

You: _____.

.....

Operator 2: Fire Brigade.

You: _____.

Operator 2: Where exactly is the fire?

You: It's at _____.

Operator 2: Is that F-A-L-C-O-N?

You: _____.

Operator 2: What's the nearest cross street?

You: _____.

Operator 2: Where are you?

You: I'm in _____.

Operator 2: And what's your name?

You: _____.

Operator 2: And your telephone number?

You: _____.

Operator 2: Is anyone inside the shop?

You: _____.

Operator 2: OK. We'll have someone there as soon as possible.

CD script

Track 1 questions

- Fire, ambulance or police?
- What is wrong?
- What's your name?
- What is the address?
- What is your date of birth?
- When did you arrive in Australia?
- Where is the nearest cross street?
- What is your telephone number?
- Are you married?

Track 2 Emergency call

Operator 1: Emergency. Police, Fire or Ambulance?

Tania: Fire, please.

Operator 2: Fire Brigade.

Tania: There's a fire in the house next door.

Operator 2: Where exactly is the fire?

Tania: It's at 45 Barton Road Aston.

Operator 2: Is that B-A-R-T-O-N?

Tania: Yes that's right.

Operator 2: What's the nearest cross street?

Tania: Forrest St.

Operator 2: Where are you?

Tania: I'm in Flat 14 43 Barton Rd.

Operator 2: And what's your name?

Tania: My name's Tania Chau.

Operator 2: Is that C-H-O-W?

Tania: No. C-H-A-U.

Operator 2: And your telephone number?

Tania: 42 - 97 - 64 - 25.

Operator 2: Is anyone inside the house?

Tania: I don't know.

Operator 2: OK. We'll have someone there as soon as possible.

Track 3 - Confirming information

Conversation 1

A: Hello. I'd like to speak to Tom please.

B: Tom Jones.

A: That's right.

B: I'll put you through.

Conversation 3

A: Can I have your phone number?

B: 8829 - 90 - 00.

A: Double 8 2 double 9 triple zero?

B: Correct.

Conversation 2

A: And what's your name?

B: Nola Braun.

A: B - R - A - U - N?

B: Yes and Nola is N - O - L - A.

Conversation 4

A: What's your address?

B: 14/325 Pittwater Rd Dee Why.

A: Is that 14 - one four?

B: Right.

Track 4 Correcting information

Conversation 1 A: Hello. I'd like to speak to Tom please. B: Tom Jones? A: No Tom Said. B: I'll put you through.	Conversation 2 A: And what's your name? B: Nola Braun. A: B - R - O - W - N ? B: No it's B - R - A - U - N.
Conversation 3 A: Can I have your phone number? B: 88 - 2 - 99 - 000. A: Double 8 2 double 9 1 zero zero? B: No it's double eight, two, double nine, triple zero.	Conversation 4 A: That's your address? B: 1435 Pittwater Rd Dee Why. A: Is that forty - four O? B: No fourteen - one four.

Track 5 - Stress in corrections

Correction 1 A: I live at 14 Barton Rd. B: 40 Barton Rd? A: No, fourteen Barton Rd.	Correction 2 A: My name is Chan. B: C-H-E-N? A: No C-H-A-N.
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ANSWERS

Unit 1 Fire Safety at Home

Fire Safety and You

1 All answers will be different. Check your answers with your teacher.

2

- a candles
- b leaving cooking on the stove
- c barbeque
- d frayed power cords
- e chemicals
- f cigarettes

3

Things that can cause fires:

clothes dyers, candles, cigarettes, heaters, power points, lighter, chemicals, matches, fuel, barbeques

Things that can save your life:

fire blanket, home-escape plans, fire extinguisher, smoke alarms, fire brigade

4

- a Keep your clothing away from heat and tie up long hair.
- b Turn pot handles inwards.
- c Do not leave the kitchen when you are cooking.

Fire Safety in the Home

2

- a Switch off appliances when not in use.
- b Clean the lint filter in your clothes dryer.
- c Do not overload power-points.
- d Take care with heaters.
- e Prepare a home-escape plan.
- f Check your smoke alarm regularly.

3

- a Make sure you **have** keys to all locked doors in case you need to escape.
- b Never **leave** cooking or any other open flame unattended.
- c Never **smoke** in bed and be careful when you drink alcohol and smoke.
- d Always **keep** lighters and matches away from children.
- e **Store** chemicals and fuels in a safe place.
- f **Check** your barbeque is safe before you light it.

4

- a ~~Do-Don't~~ test your smoke alarms regularly.
- b ~~Do-Don't~~ have regular fire drill/practice.
- c ~~Do-Don't~~ keep all your doors locked at all times.
- d ~~Do-Don't~~ stay away from the stove while you are cooking.
- e ~~Do-Don't~~ clean your dryer filter everytime you use it.
- f ~~Do-Don't~~ be careful when you use electric blankets or heaters.
- g ~~Do-Don't~~ let your children play with matches.
- h ~~Do-Don't~~ safely store chemicals and fuels.
- i ~~Do-Don't~~ regularly clean your gutters if you live near bushland.

5

- a Install smoke alarms in suitable places and test them regularly. - Place
- b Never smoke in bed and be careful when you drink alcohol and smoke. - Place

- c In winter take extra care when using heaters, electric blankets or open fires. - Time
- e Clean the lint filter in your clothes dryer every time you use it. – Place and Time
- f Always keep lighters and matches away from children. Time and Place
- g Store chemicals in a safe place. - Place
- h Check your barbeque is safe before you light it. - Time

How to Save Yourself from a House Fire

- 1 All answers will be different. Check your answers with your teacher.
- 2 All answers will be different. Check your answers with your teacher.
- 3 Verbs: *Help, Close, Get down, Go, Do not go back, Call*
- 6
 - a *means of escape* - way out of the house or flat
 - b *occupants* - people who live in a house or flat
 - c *screens* - covers on windows to keep insects out
 - d *alternative* - another way
 - e *disability* - problem with the body or mind
 - f *first priority* – first thing you must do
 - g crawl - move on hands and knees
- 7 Check your escape plan with your teacher.

Fire Safety in High-Rise Buildings

- 2
 - a Fire extinguishers and fire hose reels
 - b Smoke alarms
 - c Green and white
 - d By the fire stairs
 - e Never leave the fire stairs open, never leave anything on the fire stairs, report any problems with the fire stairs
 - f Close all windows and doors, call 000 and tell operator there is a fire in a block of flats, tell the operator your flat number and you can't get out, shout to passers-by.

Unit 2 Smoke Alarms

Fire words

- 1
 - a garden
 - b fun
 - c sandwich
 - d walk
 - e paper
 - f sleep
 - g day
 - h hair
 - i park
 - j music

Smoke Alarms

- 2
 - a 1
 - b 1
 - c 2
 - d 2
 - e 3

- f 4
- g 5
- h 6
- i 7

3

- a T
- b T
- c F
- d F
- e F
- f F
- g F

- a A microwave saves us time when cooking. It is a **time-saving** device.
- b A smoke alarm saves lives. It is a **life-saving** device.
- c A gas heater saves us money. It is a **money-saving** device.
- d A washing machine makes housework easier. It is a **labour-saving** device.
- e A hybrid car uses less petrol. It is a **fuel-saving** device.
- f An environmental showerhead saves water. It is a **water-saving** device.

- a to let you know
- b may put you into a deeper sleep
- c to leave

6

- a A smoke alarm is a **life-saving device**.
- b It detects smoke and sends out **a loud sharp sound**.
- c **New buildings** MUST be fitted with smoke alarms.
- d Smoke puts you into **a deeper sleep**.
- e **Toxic fumes** may overcome you before you wake up.
- f **The best place** to put an alarm is in hallways.
- g Don't put smoke alarms near **cooking appliances** or bathrooms.
- h This will avoid **false alarms**.
- i You can buy smoke alarms at most **hardware shops** and **department stores**.

Installing Smoke Alarms

2

- a home-owners, handymen
- b licensed electrician, professional installer
- c the smoke alarm instructions
- d on the ceiling, away from walls and fittings
- e one smoke alarm to be installed on each level of a house or flat
- f in the hallways leading from the kitchen to the bedrooms, in all bedrooms.

3

- a Battery powered smoke alarms can easily be installed **by home-owners** or handymen.
- b Hard-wired smoke alarms must be installed **by a licensed electrician** or professional installer.
- c Always read the smoke alarm instructions **before installing**.
- d Smoke alarms work best when they are installed **on the ceiling**, away from walls and fittings.
- e The law requires one smoke alarm to be installed **on each level** of a house or flat.
- f NSW Fire Brigades recommend installing smoke alarms **in the hallways** leading from the kitchen to the bedrooms and in all bedrooms.

- a There are **six** smoke alarms in this house.
- b There are **four** bedrooms in this house.
- c There is a smoke alarm **between** the living room and the study.
- d There are smoke alarms in all the **bedrooms**.
- e There is a smoke alarm in the hallway **in front of** the laundry, toilet and bathroom.

Checking Smoke Alarms

2

- a Test your smoke alarm **every month**.
- b Clean your smoke alarm **every six months**.
- c Change your alkaline smoke alarm battery **once a year**.
- d Install a new smoke alarm **every ten years**.

Unit 3 Fire Safety and Children

It's not a toy!

2

- a **Ray Thomas** is the next door neighbour.
- b **Rachael** is the three-year-old daughter.
- c Mrs McGowan's name is **Mary**.
- d **Amy** is the McGowan's eldest daughter.
- e **Kim** is Ray's teenage daughter.

3

- a Mary McGowan bought matches.
- b Rachael McGowan played with matches.
- c Amy McGowan ran next door.
- d Ray Thomas grabbed the garden hose.
- e Kim Thomas phoned 000.
- f The McGowans invited Ray and his family to a barbeque.

4

- 1 Mary and her children went to the supermarket.
- 2 Mary left the grocery bags on the floor.
- 3 Mary answered the phone.
- 4 Rachael played with matches and started the fire.
- 5 Amy ran next door to get help.
- 6 Ray ran and picked up the garden hose.
- 7 Ray sprayed the water on the fire.
- 8 Kim phoned 000.
- 9 Ray and Mary put out the fire.
- 10 The fire engine arrived.
- 11 The McGowans installed smoke alarms and made a fire-escape plan.

5

- a the **McGowan** family
- b an **eventful** day
- c her four **young** daughters
- d the **shopping** bags
- e the **kitchen** floor
- f her **three-year-old** daughter Rachael
- g the **edge** of the curtain.
- h Amy, the **eldest** daughter
- i Ray Thomas, the **next-door** neighbour
- j a **garden** hose
- k the **front** yard
- l Ray's **teenage** daughter, Kim

- m a **happy** ending
- n a **new** curtain
- o a **few** lessons
- p a **fire-escape** plan
- q a **fire** extinguisher

Children and Fires

2

- a Teach children that fire is not a toy. NO
- b Keep lighters and matches away from children. NO
- c Install smoke alarms and check them regularly. NO
- d Know where your children are and what they are doing at all times. NO
- e Teach your children fire survival skills such as *Get down low and go go go*. NO
- f Practise a home-escape plan with your children. NO
- g Teach your children to call 000 **BUT** only in an emergency. NO

Unit 4 Emergency Calls

What is an Emergency

2

- a a house fire YES
- b a power failure NO
- c a road accident and people are injured YES
- d a bomb threat YES
- e a noisy neighbour NO
- f bumping into the gutter as you park your car NO
- g finding someone unconscious in the street YES
- h your child is sick with a cold NO
- i child caught in a fence YES

3 Ambulance, Fire, Police

4 000

5 Yes

CD SCRIPT

Calling the Fire Brigade

1

Fire, Ambulance or Police?
That is wrong?
What's your name?
That is the address?
There is the nearest cross street?
What is your telephone number?

2

1 Emergency. Police, Fire or Ambulance?
2 Where exactly is the fire?
3 What's the nearest cross street?
4 Where are you?
5 And what's your name?
6 Is that C – H – O – W?
7 And your telephone number?
8 Is anyone inside the house?

3

Operator 1: Emergency. Police, Fire or Ambulance?

Tania: **Fire, please.**

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Operator 2: Fire Brigade.

Tania: There's a fire in the house next door.

Operator 2: Where exactly is the fire

Tania: It's at **45 Barton Road Aston.**

Operator 2: Is that B-A-R-T-O-N?

Tania: **Yes that's right.**

Operator 2: What's the nearest cross street?

Tania: **Forrest St.**

Operator 2: Where are you?

Tania: I'm in **Flat 14 43 Barton Rd.**

Operator 2: And what's your name?

Tania: **My name's Tania Chau.**

Operator 2: Is that C-H-O-W?

Tania: No C-H-A-U.

Operator 2: And your telephone number?

Tania: **42 - 97 - 64 - 25**

Operator 2: Is anyone inside the house?

Tania: **I don't know.**

Operator 2: OK. We'll have someone there as soon as possible.

4

Conversation 1

A: Hello. I'd like to speak to Tom please.
B: Tom Jones.
A: **That's right**
B: I'll put you through.

Conversation 2

A: And what's your name?
B: Nola Braun.
A: B – R – A – U – N
B: **Yes and Nola is N-O-L-A.**

Conversation 3

A: Can I have your phone number?
B: 8829 – 90 – 00.
A: Double 8 2 double 9 triple zero?
B: **Correct.**

Conversation 4

A: What's your address
B: 14/325 Pittwater Rd Dee Why.
A: Is that 14 - one four
B: **Right**

5

Conversation 1

A: Hello. I'd like to speak to Tom please.
B: Tom Jones?
A: **No Tom Said**

Conversation 2

A: And what's your name?
B: Nola Braun.
A: B – R – O – W – N
B: **No It's B - R - A - U - N.**

Conversation 3

A: Can I have you phone number
B: 8829 – 90 - 00.
A: Double 8 2 double 9 1 zero zero.
B: **No it's double eight, two, double nine, triple zero.**

Conversation 4

A: What's your address
B: 14/325 Pittwater Rd Dee Why.
A: Is that forty – four 0?
B: **No fourteen - one four.**

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A	Alarm	▪ warning sound or signal
C	Contain	▪ hold in one place
E	Extinguish	▪ put out

Practise your skills

Check your answers with your teacher