

Lesson #3

Level: Grade 1
Age: 6 years old
Time: 20 minutes

Objectives: Responding Correctly during School and Home fire drills

- Children will understand and demonstrate the correct actions to be taken during a School fire Drill.
- Children will understand that they need to be quiet immediately when the alarm sounds.
- Children will identify the "second way out" of different areas of their school.
- Children will be able to recognize the sound of a smoke alarm
- Children will be able to tell you what they will do if their smoke alarms goes off at home.
- Children will be able to name the reasons why it's important for all families to have working smoke alarms in their homes.

Materials/Supplies:

- Lesson Plan
- Extension activity
- Smoke Alarm
- OFPD Ruler

Introduction:

- Thank you for inviting me back to your classroom. This is our 3rd visit so let's see what you remember from our last lesson! Who is really smart in this class? (Hopefully they all raise their hand – tell them you think they are ALL really smart!)
1. How many of you know your home address and phone number now?
 2. Who can tell me what information you need to know if you were going to call the Operator/Dispatcher?
 - a. What is your emergency?
 - b. What is your address?
 - c. What is your phone number?

Lesson:

Fire Drills at Home:

- Discuss what they will do at home. Let them know that they won't have the same alarms that they will have at school. It's not as loud as the one at school or in a commercial building. (Church, schools, restaurants, shopping centers)
- Ask them how they will know if they have a fire at home? What will alert them? (a working smoke alarm)
- What should you do if you hear it go off? Get Out & Stay Out and go to your outside meeting place in front of your home to meet your whole family. But, what if they ask, why in front or can we meet in the back? The answer is: you must meet out front because when the fire truck/engine pulls up they are going to ask the people in front- if everyone is out safely? Hopefully you say yes. If nobody is out front- they are going to assume that people are stuck inside and they might risk getting hurt if everyone is really outside safely.
- **Bring an old alarm and a new 10 year alarms with you!!**
- Take out the smoke alarm that you brought with you. Ask the teacher if you could sound the alarm by pressing the test button, so they all hear what they

would listen for at home. Once you are clear to sound the alarm, test it by pressing the button so they can hear it.

- Remind them that smoke alarms save lives, but they only save lives if they are working. The need to test their alarms once a month with their parents. They also need to change their batteries 2 times a year. Unless, they have the new 10-year alarms. You must still check them once a month, but you don't need to change the batteries in those alarms.

At School, when the school fire alarm goes off, there are 3 things the Fire Department wants you to do:

1. There are 3 things you should do if you hear your school Smoke Alarm... Have them repeat those 3 things, a few times, after you tell them what they are.
 - STOP what you are doing immediately
 - LISTEN to your teacher
 - GO outside, quickly and quietly

When you get outside you should stay quiet. The teacher needs to take attendance to make sure everyone got out safely. The principal might have instructions for you and your teachers. If everyone is yelling and talking, it will be hard to hear the instructions.

2. Why must you be quiet during a fire drill?
 - So you can hear your teacher and the instructions that she has for you.

At Home, You won't have a big alarm like you do at school. What will alert you if there is a fire at home? Smoke alarm

3. What should you do if your smoke alarms goes off at your home?
 - GET OUT & STAY OUT – then go to your outside meeting place in front of your house to meet your whole family.
4. How often should your parents test the smoke alarms in your home?
 - You should be testing your alarms at least once a month.
5. Will everyone know their home address and phone number when I come back next time?
 - Next time, everyone should know that information.

Tell everyone they did a great job!!!

Helpful tips:

If some of the kids look like they don't want to hear the smoke alarm, tell them to cover their ears while you push the button. Let them know that it's ok if they do that. Then test it again and ask them not to cover their ears this time.