

We are cutting out the safety checklist...

...and talking to our families about it.

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Fire Safety! Spread the Word!

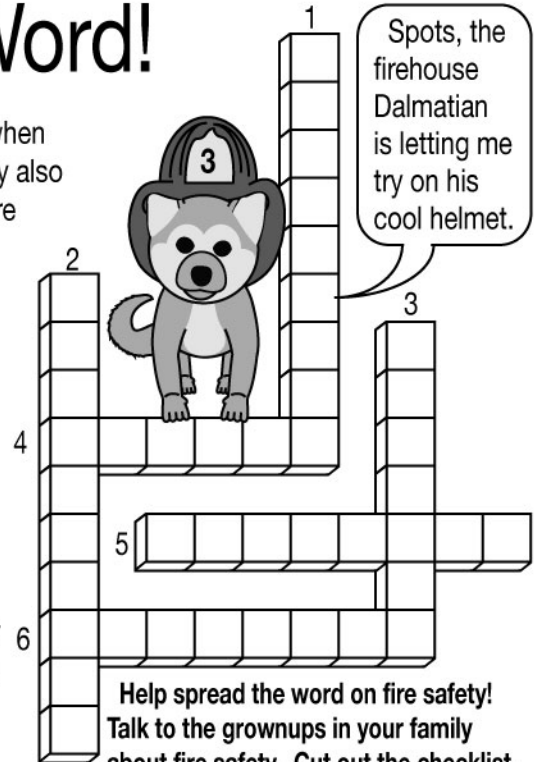


In the days of horse-drawn fire carts Dalmatians did the job of running in front of the horses to clear the path and to guide them to the fire! Today Dalmatians are mascots of firehouses. Sometimes we help to locate people in fires. We also make good guard dogs, watching over the firehouse and the equipment.

Firefighters rush to the rescue when there is a fire, but do you know they also work hard to spread the word on fire prevention and safety too?

Here are 6 ways that we learn about fire safety:

1. Programs are being developed on _____ that will show fake flames and fire situations to help kids learn how to react if ever stuck in a fire.
2. Cartoon _____ like Smokey Bear or Marty, the fire explorer, and Jett, his pet turtle (part of the USFA for kids) teach safety.
3. They are mascots at fire houses; some dogs or other _____ are trained to alert people when there is smoke or to find people in fires.
4. Firefighters can send _____ by remote control into dangerous fires to fight them.
5. Firehouses have _____ that send firefighters to your classroom to talk.
6. _____ travel the country in buses, are set up at schools, malls or fairs.



Spots, the firehouse Dalmatian is letting me try on his cool helmet.

Help spread the word on fire safety! Talk to the grownups in your family about fire safety. Cut out the checklist.

Family Fire Safety Checklist

- Only cook in the kitchen when an adult is helping you.
- Don't touch matches, lighters or candles. They are for adult use only.
- Do you have smoke detectors on every level of your home? Test them monthly and change the batteries at least once a year.
- Do you know two or more ways out of the house?
- Never use elevators (stairs are much safer) if there is a fire.
- Smoke rises, so if there is a fire, stay low: crawl under the smoke.
- Have you picked a place to meet the rest of your family once you are all out of the house?
- Once you are out of the house, **stay out** of the house.

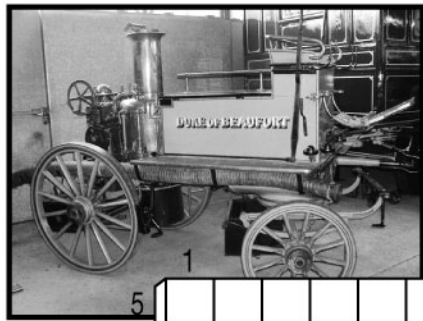
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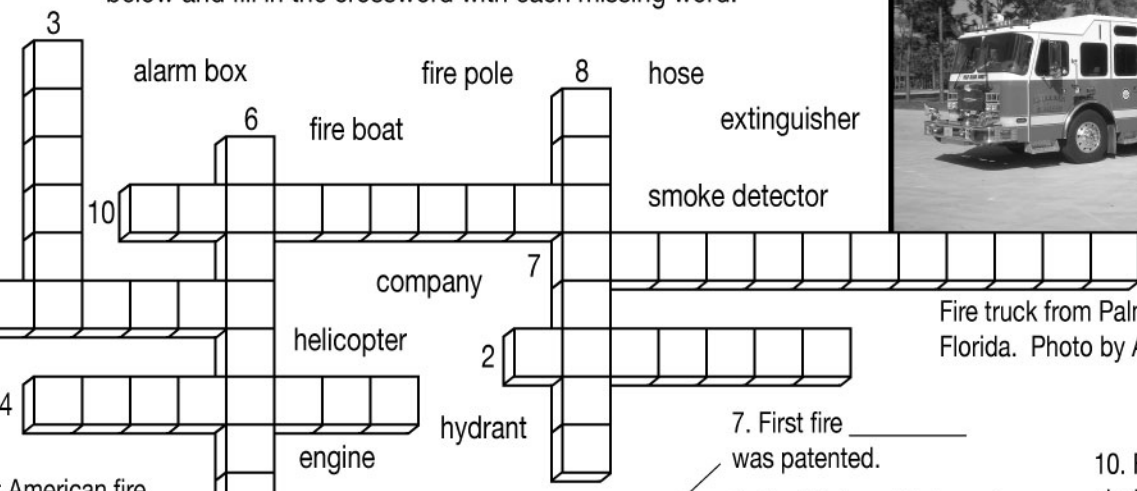
1906 horse-drawn steam fire engine. Photo by Adrian Pingstone.

History of Firefighting!

Read the sentences on the timeline below and fill in the crossword with each missing word.



Fire truck from Palm Beach County, Florida. Photo by Aaron M. Lang.



1. First fire _____ made in Holland, was in 50-foot sections.

3. First American fire _____ was built by Thomas Lote

5. First fire _____ s line the streets of Philladelphia.

7. First fire _____ was patented.

10. Fire _____ s started putting out wildfires from the sky.

2. First fire _____ was organized in Boston.

4. First _____ set sail in New York City.

6. First fire _____ was put on a wall in Boston.

9. First electric _____ helped saved lives

2000 What new ideas might be developed in the future?



A Fire Safety Move!

Help grownups check that material is flame-resistant when choosing costumes or pajamas. Use the color key to see what to do if your clothing ever catches on fire:

Color Key: R = Red, O = Orange

Do you know this fire safety technique?

