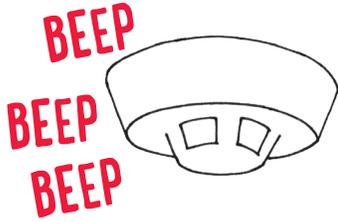


SOUND OFF WITH THE HOME FIRE SAFETY PATROL

Join the HOME FIRE SAFETY PATROL!



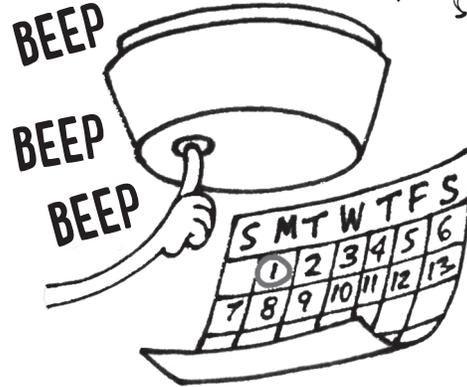
Smoke alarms are important. They warn you when there is a fire.



Do you know your smoke alarm sounds?

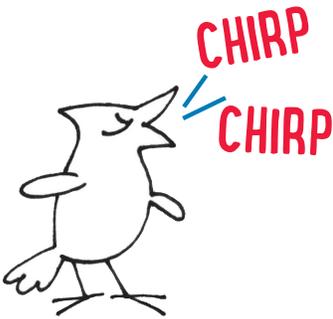
BEEP!-BEEP!-BEEP!...
BEEP!-BEEP!-BEEP!

That sounds means there is a fire in your home. You need to get out fast!



Test your smoke alarms every month to make sure they work.

Push the test button. If you hear BEEP!-BEEP!-BEEP!, that means the smoke alarm is working. If you don't hear that sound, put in a new battery or get a new smoke alarm.



Chirp...Chirp

Sometimes a smoke alarm makes a sound like a cricket or a chirping bird. That means the battery is getting old. You need to put in a new battery or get a new smoke alarm.

Go on a safety patrol in your home.

Use this chart to check the smoke alarms in your home. Ask a grown-up to help. Circle Yes or No for each question. When you finish, write your names in the spaces provided. Then bring the chart back to class.

Do you have a smoke alarm on each floor of your home? **Yes** **No**

Do you have a smoke alarm in or near every bedroom and sleeping area? **Yes** **No**

Do all of your smoke alarms work when you test them? **Yes** **No**

Student _____ **Parent/Caregiver** _____

Dear Parent/Caregiver

Your child is participating in a home fire safety program at school. As part of this program, we are providing **free smoke alarms** to families that need them. Please contact your child's teacher or your local fire department if your home needs working smoke alarms. If you want the fire department to call you, please write your phone number here: _____.

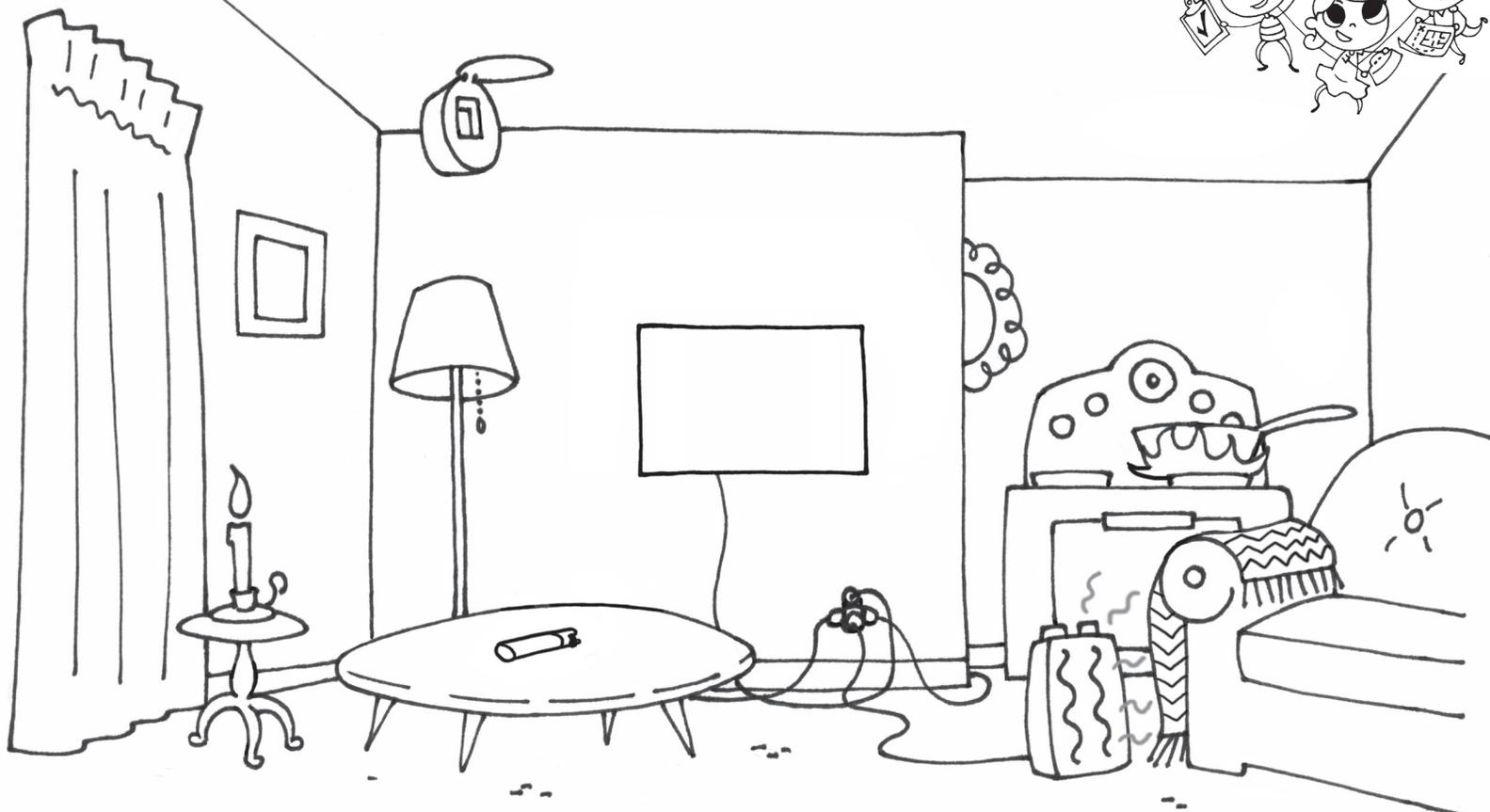


DETECT THE DANGERS

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Part 1: The Home Fire Safety Patrol is always on the lookout for fire dangers. Can you find six fire dangers in this picture? Circle the dangers you find.



Part 2: What could happen if these fire dangers aren't fixed? To find out, use the words below to complete these sentences.

heater candle stove
lighter smoke alarm outlet

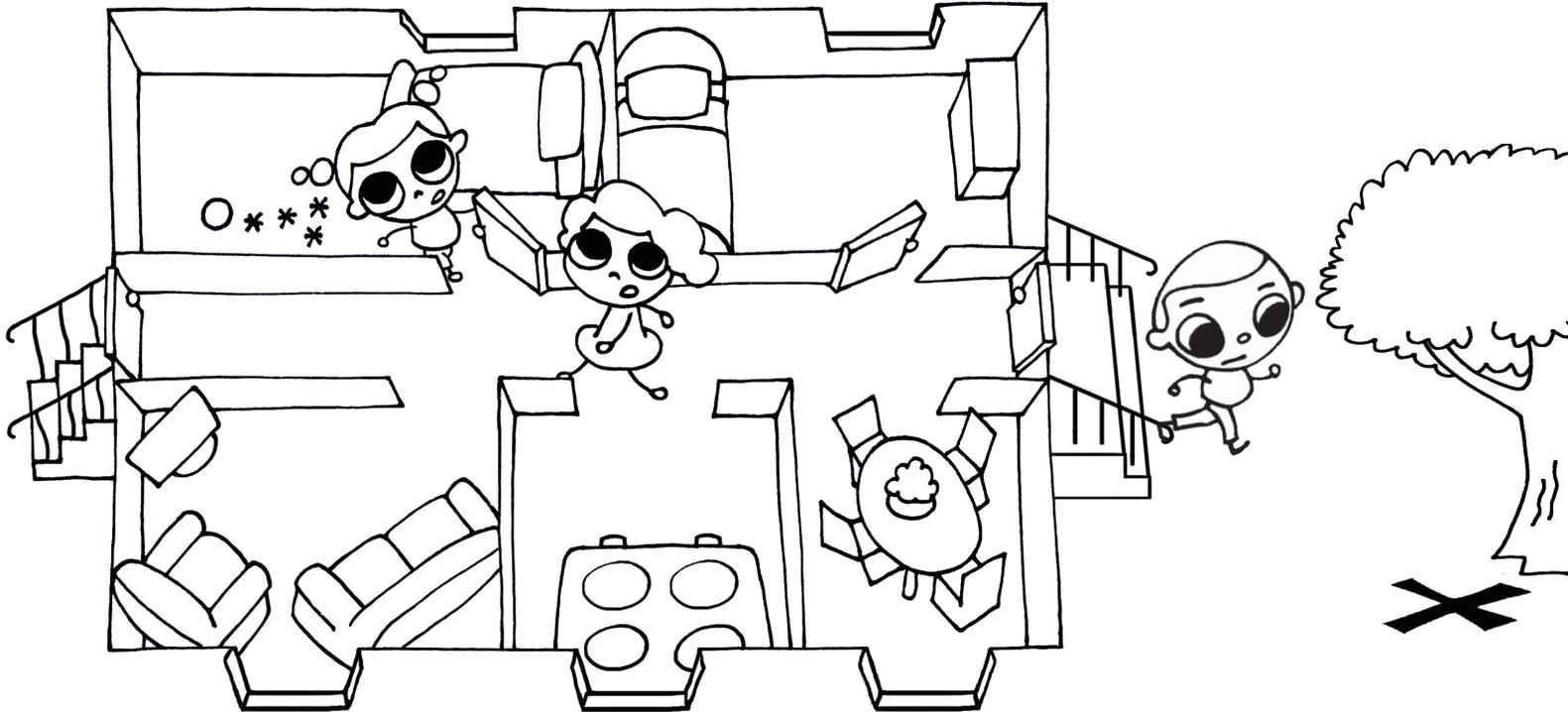
1. A _____ with a missing battery would not wake you up if there were a fire.
2. The burning _____ might get knocked over and set the curtain on fire.
3. A child might play with the _____ and start a fire.
4. Because there are too many plugs in the electrical _____, it could overheat and start a fire.
5. Leaving a pan on a hot _____ could start a fire. A grown-up should be there to watch it.
6. Putting a _____ too close to furniture or cloth could start a fire.

Show this activity to a grown-up. You can use it to check for fire dangers in your home.



YOUR HOME FIRE ESCAPE MAP

Part 1: Help these kids plan how to get out fast if there is a fire in their home. Draw two paths to the outside from every room. Show one path that leads through doorways. Show a second path the kids could take if fire or smoke is blocking a doorway. In some cases, this might be through a window. Then circle the outside meeting place where everyone will go to call 9-1-1 and report the fire.



Part 2: Now use the back of this sheet to make a home fire escape plan for your home. Draw a map that shows two paths out of every room. Take your map home and show it to a grown-up. You can use your map for a family fire drill. See if everyone can get outside in less than 3 minutes!

Dear Parent/Caregiver

Many times children do not wake up when a smoke alarm sounds. Make a plan for an adult to wake up each child and help him or her get out if there is a real fire. Practice the plan.

HOME FIRE ESCAPE RULES

Make sure everyone in your home knows the rules for getting out fast when there is a home fire:

- If you hear a smoke alarm or see smoke, get outside as fast as you can!
- Don't take anything with you.
- **Get Low and Go:** Smoke rises toward the ceiling. If you see smoke you should stay near the floor. Get low so you don't breathe in the dangerous smoke. Go to your exit.
- Go to your outside meeting place and call 9-1-1.
- Stay outside — **NEVER** go back into a burning building.

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