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Why Guy's Top Ten Fire Safety Questions

When a curious kid gets the chance to spend a day at the fire station, it's a fascinating and fun experience. It's not every day you get to spray a fire hose, sound the siren, sit inside a fire engine and find out why they have three refrigerators in the fire station kitchen.



In the middle of the coolest day of your life, you may even learn a thing or two about fire safety. That's what the Why Guy found while shooting his new DVD entitled "Why Guy Questions A Firefighter," available at www.WhyGuy.com.

Most kids never have to face the danger of waking up with their house on fire, but every child needs to know what to do in case they do find themselves in a fire. The Why Guy talked with firefighters at his local station to get answers to his top ten questions about fire safety.

1. If there's smoke in the air, what do I do?

To escape during a fire, Crawl Low and Go! Hot smoke rises, so there's better air to breathe near the ground below the smoke.

2. Should I wait for my parents to find me in a fire?

Get out as fast as you can. Fires are scary but you should never hide in closets or under beds or from firefighters who may come in to rescue you with a big air mask on.

Don't Hide – Go Outside!

3. When should we call 911?

If there is a fire, first GET OUT, then call 911 from a phone outside or from a neighbor's house. Practice giving your name, your address, and how to explain the emergency.

4. If your clothes are on fire, what should you do?

Do not run. Running makes the fire burn faster. **STOP, DROP & ROLL** until the fire is out!

5. How fast can a fire spread?

In less than 30 seconds a small flame can get completely out of control and turn into a major fire. It only takes minutes for a house to fill with black smoke and become fully engulfed in flames.

6. Should I sleep with my bedroom door open or closed?

Bedroom doors should be closed at night to help slow the spread of smoke if there's a fire. If there is a fire, feel the door with your hand to see if it is hot before opening it. If it is hot, use your window or other escape route.

7. Would the light from the flames help me find my way out?

No. Fire starts bright, but quickly produces black smoke and complete darkness. If you wake up in a fire, you need to know how to get out with the room totally dark, so practice feeling your way out with your eyes closed.

8. What should I do if I find matches or lighters?

Matches and lighters are tools, not toys. Tell a grown up right away if you see these items.

9. Where is our family's meeting place?

Choose a meeting place outside, such as a big tree or by the mailbox, so you will know that everyone has gotten out safely.

10. Are our smoke alarms working?

Smoke alarms should be tested once a month and replaced every 10 years.

About Why Guy Productions: Why Guy Productions pairs the talents of husband and wife team David and Keri Archer to create multimedia productions that engage preschoolers and early elementary children with interesting, informative and educational messages. With David's background in the creative arts including broadcast video production, and Keri's experience as a certified elementary education teacher, the two have teamed up to create "The Why Guy," a character-based series designed to be entertaining, educational and engaging for the preschool aged child.