

Children's Activity Book Resource Document

Let's Get Ready for an Emergency! Children's activity book.

Background

This booklet was developed after case studies from the Lancaster University Children, Young People and Flooding Project, reported that children wanted to know more about what could happen in an emergency and expressed an interest in becoming more involved in emergency planning. The booklet is designed to raise awareness of emergencies, how they can help themselves, and plan in advance. It is primarily aimed at KS1/2/3.

Join the colourful characters on activities designed to get children involved in thinking about how they can be prepared for and respond to emergencies. It is also about building their confidence and to help them become more responsible individuals in raising their awareness of emergencies

The booklet is also aimed at children sharing their new knowledge and ideas with their parents/carers, to promote emergency preparedness to adults too, for example, asking their parents if they have properly working smoke alarms in their home or have valid home insurance.

What will you need: Pencil/Pen, Colouring crayons

Suggestions of when to use:

- * Before or after a school fire drill practice – see 'What happens if I'm at school page' 15.
- * Approaching winter time.
- * Following any school disruption.

The booklet also contains hints and tips on internet safety.

The booklet is self explanatory, however ideas and tips below might be useful:

Page 3 - Bomb threat, bird flu, cyber attack, volcanic eruption, earthquake, plane crash

Page 5 - One idea would be a class discussion on whether anyone has had to call the emergency services before, and if so, what happened.

Tip - set a page a week as homework to do through the holidays!



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Page 6 - Could this page be used in an IT lesson? Children could find their school or home using the website and see whether it is at risk.

Page 7/18/19 - Tip - A great follow on activity would be a visit from your local fire brigade. To arrange this a request form can be completed on the public section online at www.humbersidefire.gov.uk or by calling the Community Safety section on 03003038242 or 01482565333 (office hours only). Small group visits can also be arranged to visit the fire stations.

Page 10 - Examples could be important telephone numbers and documents, tinned/long life food, wind-up charger, toys/books, etc!

Page 12 - Ideas could be toys, entertainment such as iPad etc, books, clean clothes, toiletries e.g. toothbrush and toothpaste, regular medication, favourite teddy and / or comforter, spare chargers etc

Page 15 - Tip - any school policies or practices could be done alongside this page.

Page 16 - Could the recipe be incorporated into a food technology lesson?

Page 17 - Examples could be, favourite toy and or comforter, blanket, cage, pet food, treats.

Page 20 - Children are encouraged to ask parents or carers if they have home insurance and understand the benefits of having it.

Page 23 - Could this page be incorporated into a class IT lesson, for example, logging onto the internet and printing off the certificate for completing the booklet?

Tip - To raise awareness of the emergency services there could be a dressing up day at school

Follow up Ideas

- * Session on crossing the road safely
- * Assembly covering school rules on winter weather / School

Additional Resources:

www.letsgetready.org.uk
Additional Colouring sheets and certificate here.

