Create Your Home Fire-Escape Plan

Show what you know about fire safety. Follow these easy steps to make a home fire-escape plan so that everyone in your family will be able to react quickly and calmly if there is a fire.

Step 1 Make a Floor Plan

- Draw an overhead floor plan of your home using the grid on the next page. Use separate grids for each floor and include all doors and windows.
- 2 Circle two ways out of each room in blue.
- Place the letters SA wherever smoke alarms are located. Remember, there should be a smoke alarm in every sleeping room, outside each sleeping area, and on all levels of the home. Put a star over your outdoor family meeting place.

Step 2 Check Your Home

- Where are the smoke alarms in your home? Make sure there is one in each sleeping room, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home.
 - Do the batteries in your home smoke alarms work? Test your alarms at least once a month.
 - Can you quickly get to every door in your home? Clear doorways and hallways of any toys or clutter.
- Can you quickly get out every door and window in your home? Make sure every door opens and closes properly.
 - Have you identified two exits from every room on your home fire-escape plan?
 - Where is your outside family meeting place?

Step 3 Practice, Practice, Practice

Hold a practice fire drill. Encourage everyone in the family to ask questions. Practice your drill at least twice a year.

