



Activity Name: Junior Safety Award: Step 1

Recommended Ages: Grades 4-5

Pin Completed: Junior Safety Award

Estimated Time to Complete Activity: 1 hour

Materials Needed:

- Home Safety Checklist printable
- Pen

Check it out: Do a home safety audit to check for dangers around the house.

First: Print off the Home Safety Checklist.

TIP: If you don't have a printer – write down each step on a new piece of paper.

Second: Ask your parents to help you check off each item on the list.

Third: Make a plan with your family to check these items every year.

Way to go! You did it!

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## Home Safety Checklist

With your family, go through the checklist to make your home safe!

Check for frayed wires

Replace any device that has a frayed cord or exposed wires.

Don't overload outlets

Only plug one high-wattage appliance plugged into a single outlet.

Check extension cords

Extension cords should never run across doorways or under rugs.

Examine outside vents.

Vents should be properly sealed and should not be blocked.

Check smoke alarms/carbon monoxide detectors

Check for dead batteries. Smoke alarms should be on each floor of the house and in every bedroom.

Check fire extinguishers

Extinguishers should be placed on each floor of the house. Replace extinguishers as directed.

Emergency Phone Numbers

Compile a list of emergency phone numbers. Post list in several rooms of the house.

Lock up hazardous materials

Place any poisonous or hazardous products in locked cabinet.

Check your stairwells

Prevent falls and injuries by fixing any loose steps or handrails. Make sure stairwells are clear.

Check the dryer lint screen

Clean off any lint to prevent dryer fires.