

Bonfire and Firework Activity Pack



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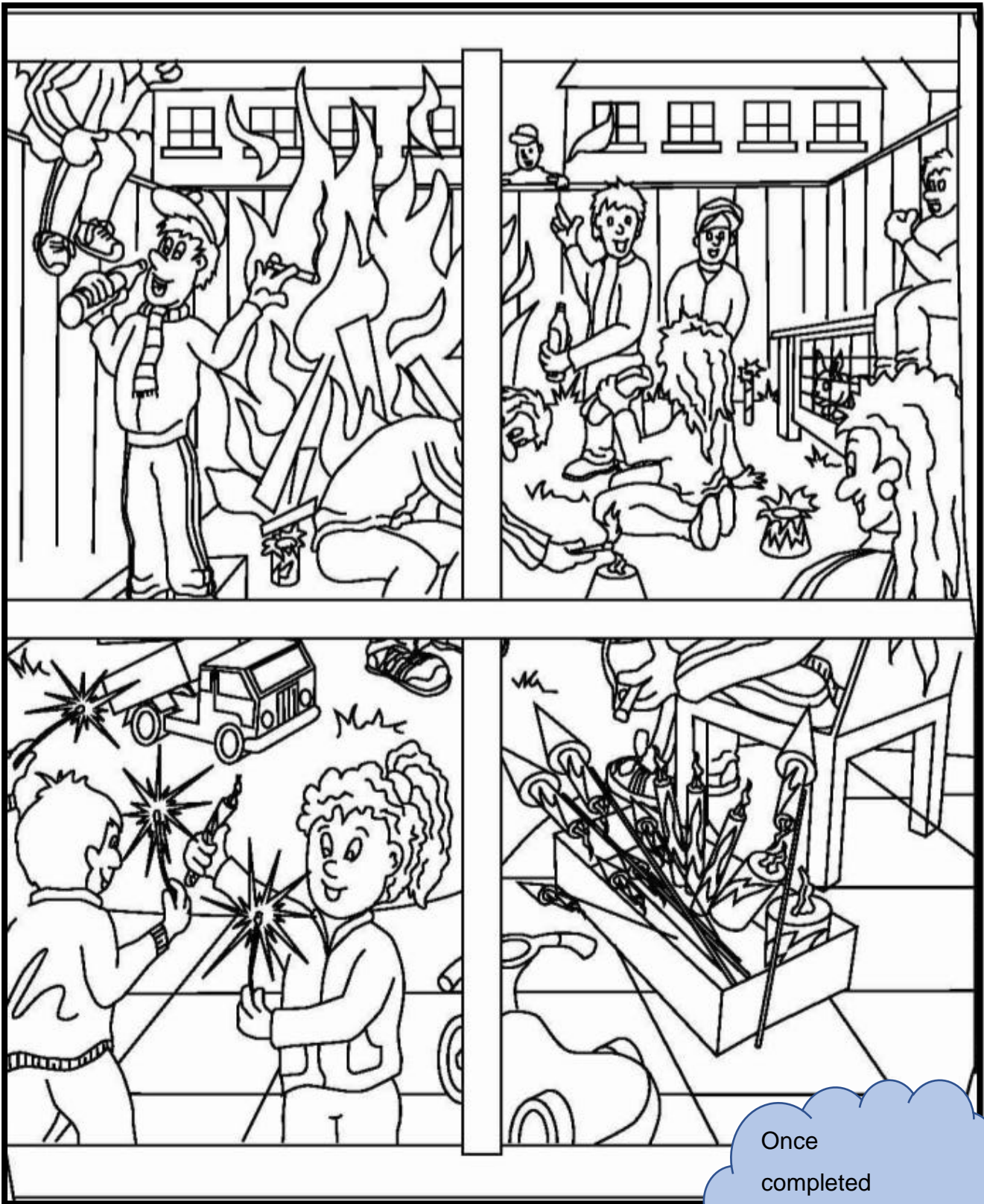
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INTRODUCTION AND LEARNING OUTCOMES

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) aims to provide information and educational activities for children and young people to increase their awareness of Bonfire and Firework Safety.

This activity pack is designed for learners Primary 4-7 and should be used leading up to Bonfire Night. SFRS personnel will continue to engage with children and young people in local primary, secondary schools and youth groups where possible. Engagement may be in the form of presentations, talks, or digital input. Other useful links and videos are included in this activity pack to enhance learning.

CAN YOU SPOT THE HAZARDS?



Once completed colour in the picture.

ACTIVITY 1- DISCUSSION

Pupils should be able to identify some of the following hazards:

- Children playing with fireworks unsupervised
- Small children with sparklers unsupervised
- Wheeled toy behind children (trip hazard)
- Toys scattered on the ground (trip hazards)
- Teenagers drinking
- People smoking cigarettes near fireworks
- Someone sitting on the fence dangerously close to the fire
- People wearing tracksuit bottoms and other types of inappropriate clothing for attending a bonfire
- Fireworks that may/may not have been lit scattered around the garden
- Bonfire built too near the fence
- Girl sat on the ground near to a firework
- Rabbit in the hutch near the bonfire
- Man in the middle of the chaos lighting a firework with a naked flame
- Woman sitting near a box of fireworks with a cigarette
- Fireworks not stored in safe, tin container/box
- Generally chaotic with lots of distractions

Discussion points could include:

- Encourage pupils to think about the dangers of people drinking alcohol when attending or supervising at bonfires, especially people responsible for lighting the fireworks
- Safe storage of fireworks – for example, out of the reach of children in a tin box or container that is stored in a cool, dry place
- Dangers of children holding fireworks and sparklers
- Dangers of building a bonfire too close to the fence, and the risk of setting fire to the property of others or buildings close by
- Dangers of cigarettes too close to unlit fireworks
- Where ideally should the rabbit be? For example, left in the house or garage away from the loud noises and the smoke from the fire · possible risks of wearing inappropriate clothing, and the risks of the fabric melting and setting on fire if too close to the fire or near sparks from fireworks

ACTIVITY 2- BONFIRE NIGHT QUIZ



1. What date is Bonfire Night?
2. What age do you have to be to buy fireworks?
3. Do you know what age you should be before you hold a sparkler?
4. What is the safest thing to do with a sparkler once it's finished?
5. Who should light a firework?
6. Do you know what you should do if your clothes catch fire?
7. How much does it cost to call for Emergency service?
8. Do you know what number you can call for the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service?
9. Do you know why we celebrate Guy Fawkes Night?
10. Guy Fawkes Night is one of Scottish Fire and Rescue Service busiest nights. List 2 things you can do to keep yourself safe.

FACT SHEET

1. Did you know that on the lead up to Guy Fawkes Night 2019 Scottish Fire and Rescue attended 40 deliberate fires.
2. You are not permitted to use fireworks between the hours of 11pm and 7am on any day except on 5th November when the curfew extends to midnight.
3. Over the last 5 years over 350 pre-school children, some as young as one were treated in hospital for fireworks injuries.

BONFIRE NIGHT QUIZ ANSWERS

1. What date is Bonfire Night?

November 5th

2. What age do you have to be to buy fireworks?

18 years or older

3. Do you know what age you should be before you hold a sparkler?

5 years or older

4. What is the safest thing to do with a sparkler once it's finished?

Put it into a bucket of water hot end first

5. Who should light a firework?

A responsible adult not under the influence of drugs or alcohol

6. Do you know what you should do if your clothes catch fire?

Stop, Drop and Roll

7. Do you know what number you can call for the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service?

999, however the international number 112 will transfer you as will 911.

8. How much does it cost to call for Emergency service?

Nothing, calling 999 is free but should only be called in an emergency

9. Do you know why we celebrate Guy Fawkes Night?

Commemorating the failure of the gunpowder plot to blow up the Houses of Parliament

10. Guy Fawkes Night is one of Scottish Fire and Rescue Service busiest nights. List 2 things you can do to keep yourself safe.

- Go to a public display
- Wear gloves when using sparklers
- Stay with an adult
- Don't throw substances into a fire
- Don't play with fireworks or fire



ACTIVITY 3- BONFIRE NIGHT WORD

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DROP AND ROLL

FIREREFIGHTER

GUY FAWKES

BONFIRE

GLOVES

LONDON

FIREWORK

GUNPOWDER

BANG

SAFETY

FLAME

NOVEMBER

DISPLAY

SPARKLERS

BONFIRE NIGHT WORD SEARCH ANSWERS

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DISCUSSION POINTS

- **Why is it important to wear gloves when holding a sparkler?**

Sparklers can exceed temperatures of 15 times hotter than boiling water. It is very important to wear gloves when using sparklers to reduce the risk of burns and to extinguish the sparkler hot end into a bucket of water.

- **Is Bonfire Night celebrated within the group? If so how?**
- **What are the dangers of playing with fires or fireworks?**

*Anti-social behaviour and secondary fires are a big strain on the Emergency services. There are limited numbers of crews and appliances which can attend calls meaning risk of damage to property or even loss of life. Every year many children and young people are hospitalised due to severe burns caused by sparklers and fireworks. Emergency Services work hard to keep the public safe during Bonfire Night but you can help too by following the **firework code**.*

ACTIVITY 4- ART PROJECT

TASK

- Pupils to consider key safety messages discussed in previous activities and produce a piece of art work to demonstrate these.
- Pupils should be encouraged to be creative and consider the use of media to deliver specific bonfire safety messages.
- Pupils can share their finished work on completion, demonstrating what safety messages they focused on.

LEARNING AIMS AND OUTCOMES

- Pupils to demonstrate their learning and knowledge of Firework and Bonfire Safety.
- To encourage conversation on how to stay safe and what to do if the help is needed.
- Pupils to engage in learning by creating their own piece of artwork.
- Pupils to feel confident they know how to stay safe around Bonfire Night.

RESOURCES

- Paper
- Pens
- Paint
- Paint brushes
- Pencils
- Glue
- Scissors
- Newspaper Cuttings

DISCUSSION

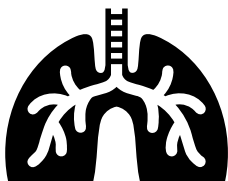
- What does the art work reflect?
- What Key Safety messages are included?
- Does the artwork reflect the consequences?
- What materials have been used and why?

ACTIVITY 5 -FIRE TRIANGLE



Fire requires three elements present to burn. Do you know which three these are? Find some hints below.

Take away one element and the fire will go out. Always call **999** if you find a fire, never try to put it out yourself. Do you know your own address if you had to call for an emergency service?



THE FIREWORK CODE

- 1. Plan your firework display to make it safe and enjoyable, and ensure it finishes before 11pm (or midnight on Guy Fawkes Night)**
- 2. Only buy fireworks which carry the CE mark, keep them in a closed box and use them one at a time**
- 3. Read and follow the instructions on each firework using a torch if necessary**
- 4. Light the firework at arm's length with a taper and stand well back**
- 5. Keep naked flames, including cigarettes, away from fireworks**
- 6. Never return to a firework once it has been lit**
- 7. Don't put fireworks in pockets and never throw them**
- 8. Direct any rocket fireworks well away from spectators**
- 9. Never use paraffin or petrol on a bonfire**
- 10. Make sure that the fire is out and surroundings are made safe before leaving.**

USEFUL LINKS

Firework Safety

ROSPA <https://www.rospa.com/Home-Safety/Advice/Fireworks-Safety>

Fire Educational Messages

GoSafe Scotland <https://www.gosafescotland.com/>

Scottish Fire and Rescue Website <https://www.firescotland.gov.uk/>

Reporting a Crime

Fearless <https://www.fearless.org/>

Short Film Link Highlighting the impact on Pets and the Community

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=81cYruEihds>

We would love to hear from you

Please get in touch and share with us your amazing art work and completed activity packs. Share your stories with us on;



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