

HOME FIRE ESCAPE PLAN

An important part of home fire safety is a fire escape plan. In order for it to be effective, everyone who lives in the house must be familiar with the plan. Your assignment is to prepare a home escape plan for your home, teach it to everyone who lives there, and practice it with your whole family.

Draw The Plan

If there were a fire in your home, what would be the exits you could use; doors, windows? Begin by making a sketch of your house. If you have more than one floor in your home, you need to make separate drawings of each floor. In your plan, include the following:

- ✓ Smoke Alarms
- ✓ Two exits from each bedroom
- ✓ A place to meet outside

(Be prepared to show your completed escape plan at the next group)

Practice the Escape Plan

Teach your family the plan. As a group, go through an exercise to make sure everyone understands the plan and can get to the meeting place. Younger family members may need extra help in understanding the escape plan and rehearsing it.

When you practice the plan, have everyone in his or her bedroom. Have someone set off the smoke alarm. Remember to tell everyone to feel any doors before opening them and to crawl low, as if there were really smoke in the house.

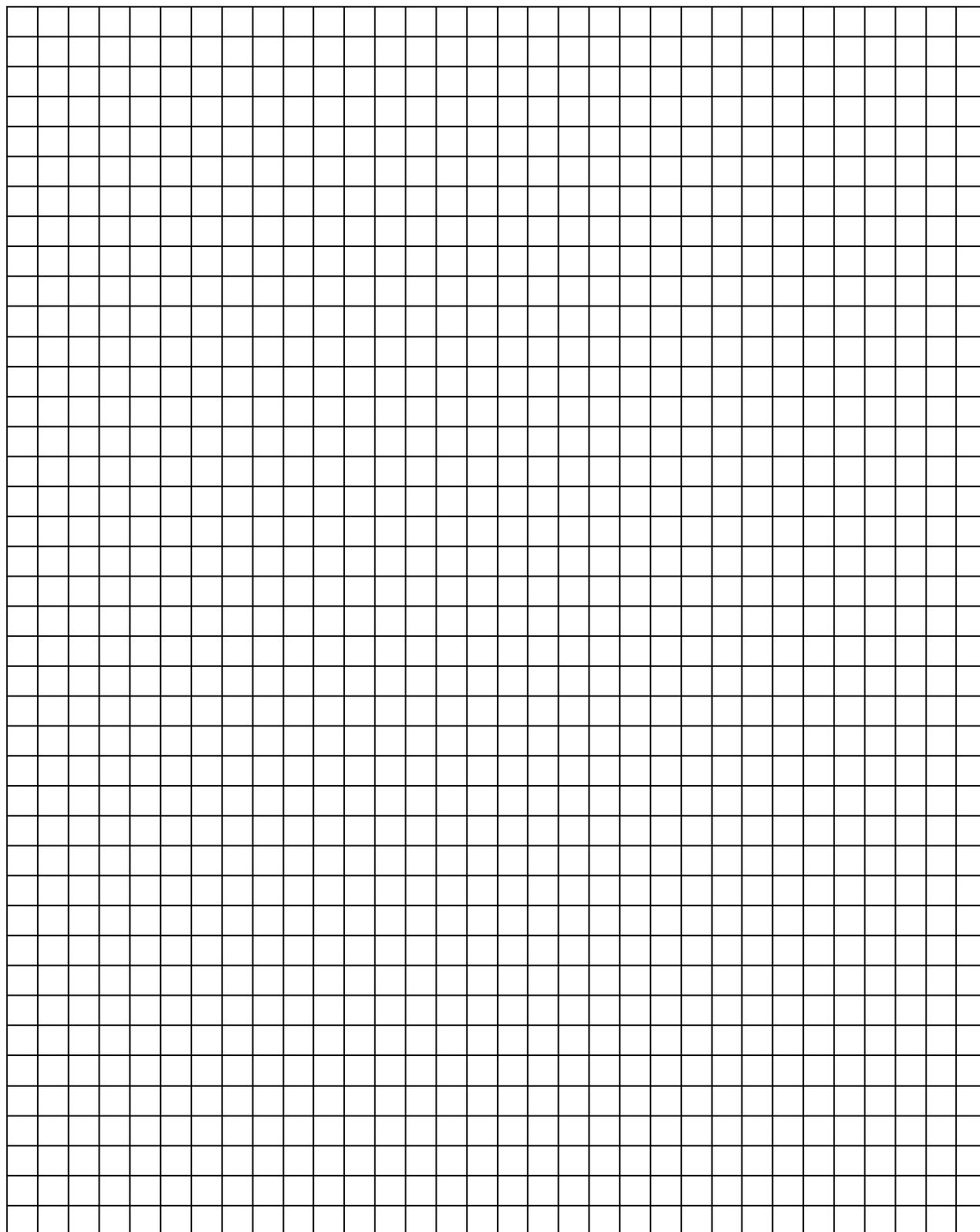
Write About Your Experience

Write about your experience preparing your escape plan and teaching your family. Some topics you may want to include are the following: What kind of challenges did you have? Did everyone in your family want to cooperate? Do you think this will help your family in the event you have a fire emergency in your home?

By signing below, you are stating that the home escape plan was completed and practiced by the family:

Your Name _____ Date _____

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