



Student Fire Safety Knowledge Assessment

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Directions. Read each question and decide on the BEST answer. Then, circle your answer.

1. How often should you test your smoke alarm?
 - a. Once a month
 - b. Every three months
 - c. Every six months
 - d. Once a year
 - e. Unsure

2. In most cases, what is the first thing you should do if a smoke alarm goes off?
 - a. Search the home for other people
 - b. Call the fire department
 - c. Find the fire
 - d. Get out, call the fire department, and stay out
 - e. All of the above

3. Where in a home should smoke alarms be installed?
 - a. In the kitchen
 - b. Above all doors that go outside
 - c. In rooms with fireplaces
 - d. On every level and near each bedroom
 - e. All of the above

4. What is the leading cause of home fires?
 - a. Smoking
 - b. Space heaters
 - c. Fireplaces
 - d. Cooking
 - e. Unsure

5. You just bought new matches at the store. Where should you put them if children live in or visit the home?
 - a. In a drawer
 - b. In a place that only you know about
 - c. Up high, in a place with a lock
 - d. In the kitchen away from children
 - e. None of the above

6. What is a firefighter's most important job?
 - a. To fight fires
 - b. To protect people and property
 - c. To put water on fires
 - d. To break windows to get to the fire
 - e. Unsure

7. What is the best way to tell if a smoke alarm is working?
 - a. When it goes off in a fire
 - b. By testing it
 - c. By buying a new one every two years
 - d. When it goes off when you cook
 - e. Unsure

8. Where is the best place to put a smoke alarm?
 - a. On the wall at eye level
 - b. On the ceiling or high on the wall
 - c. Near each door
 - d. In the corner of the room
 - e. Above the stove

9. Smoke is dangerous because _____.
 - a. It is fast
 - b. It is silent
 - c. It can kill you
 - d. All of the above
 - e. None of the above

10. Why is it important to have smoke alarms that work?
 - a. They make a loud noise and can wake you up when there is smoke
 - b. They can save the life of someone in your family
 - c. They give you time to get out of the home
 - d. They can save your life
 - e. All of the above

11. What should you do if a smoke alarm makes noise and you know the smoke is from cooking and not from a fire?
 - a. Fan the smoke away and open a window
 - b. Take the battery out for the day
 - c. Ignore the alarm
 - d. Cover the smoke alarm until it stops
 - e. None of the above

12. What can you do to make sure a smoke alarm works?
 - a. Clean dust from the smoke alarm
 - b. Do not cover the alarm with paint or tape
 - c. Put in new batteries, if necessary
 - d. All of the above
 - e. None of the above

13. A complete home escape plan should have:
 - a. Two ways out of every room
 - b. A meeting place outside
 - c. Doors and windows that are easy to get to and open
 - d. All of the above
 - e. Unsure

14. Where would you go as soon as you get out of your home during a fire?
 - a. To the fire department
 - b. To a neighbor's home
 - c. To your meeting place
 - d. To the police department
 - e. To the local school

15. Who needs to practice a home escape plan?
 - a. Adults
 - b. Talk about the plan with children
 - c. Adults and children
 - d. Do not practice since you may get hurt
 - e. Family and friends

16. How often do you need to practice a home escape plan?
 - a. Never
 - b. At least two times a year
 - c. One time each year
 - d. Every month
 - e. Unsure

17. Where is a good place to keep the home escape plan you put on paper?
 - a. In a box
 - b. Near your telephone
 - c. In a main room, like the kitchen
 - d. In your bedroom
 - e. In the living room

18. What should you do before you empty used cigarette butts and ashes into a wastebasket?
 - a. Wait at least one hour
 - b. Wet the cigarette butts and ashes
 - c. Stir the cigarettes and ashes thoroughly
 - d. Make sure it is a metal wastebasket
 - e. None of the above

19. If you cannot get out of your home because of fire or smoke, what should you do?
 - a. Open the door to your room so firefighters can get in
 - b. Put a light colored cloth out the window as a signal
 - c. Open the window and climb down a sheet
 - d. All of the above
 - e. Unsure

20. Why is it important to have a home escape plan?
 - a. It helps firefighters know where to find you
 - b. It shows everyone how to get out of the home if there is a fire
 - c. It shows you where to put the smoke alarms
 - d. It is the law
 - e. All of the above.

21. What should you do if you develop a home escape plan?
 - a. Show where the furniture is
 - b. Adapt the plan for anyone who needs help
 - c. Keep it away from children
 - d. List all the people in the home
 - e. All of the above

22. There is a lot of smoke in your home. What should you do as you go out of the home?
 - a. Call 911 before you go outside
 - b. Feel any inside door before you open it to check if it is warm
 - c. Go back and get your pet if you forgot it
 - d. Run out if it gets too smoky
 - e. All of the above

23. Which is an important step in developing an escape plan?
 - a. Test the smoke alarms
 - b. Draw a floor plan of your home
 - c. Practice your escape plan
 - d. All of the above
 - e. None of the above

24. What is the best thing to do if a pan of grease on the stove catches on fire?
 - a. Throw baking soda on the fire to put it out.
 - b. Throw flour on the fire to put it out
 - c. Carry the pan to the sink and put water on it
 - d. Slide a lid over the pan
 - e. None of the above

Fire Safety Assessment: Answers

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| 2. d | 8. b | 14. c | 20. b |
| 3. d | 9. d | 15. c | 21. b |
| 4. d | 10. e | 16. b | 22. b |
| 5. c | 11. a | 17. c | 23. d |
| 6. b | 12. d | 18. b | 24. d |