



Fire Safety Day

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Randy walked to school. He was glad.
His class had gym today. He loved gym.

They would play games. They would
kick balls. Best of all, they would tumble.
Randy was ready to practice somersaults
and cartwheels.

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Make and Confirm Predictions

What do you think Randy will do in gym today?



When he got to the gym, the gray mats were not out. They were stacked against the wall.

Mrs. Nelson was standing with two people from the fire station.

“Good morning,” she said. “Today we have a special treat.”



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Make and Confirm Predictions

What do you think the “special treat” is? Use the text to help you make a guess.



“These firefighters will talk to us about fire safety,” said Mrs. Nelson. “They will teach us some rules. We will learn how to avoid fires. We will also learn what to do if there is a fire.”

Randy was sad. He liked gym a lot. Now he would have to wait until next week.

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Make and Confirm Predictions

Do you think Randy will stay sad for the whole story? Explain.



Ingrid came over. She was Randy's buddy. "What's wrong?" Ingrid said.

"Why do we have to learn about fire safety?" Randy said. "That's no fun."

"It may not be fun," she said. "Still, it's good to know."

"Maybe," he said. "I wanted to do tumbling today."



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Make and Confirm Predictions

Do you think Randy will change his mind about fire safety? Explain.



“Good morning,” Chief Sims said.
“We want you to be safe. The best rule is
to avoid fires. Don’t play with matches.
They start fires.”

Officer Jones gave a speech about
smoke alarms. “Every house needs a
smoke alarm,” she said. “They save lives.”



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Main Ideas and Details

What does Chief Sims say is the best rule for staying safe in a fire?



“Now let’s learn what to do if your clothes catch on fire,” said Officer Jones. She pulled out the gray mats. “First, stop moving. Then drop to the floor. Then roll back and forth. Who wants to try?”

Randy tried “stop, drop, and roll.” It was just like tumbling!

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Is Randy still sad? Explain.



At recess, Ingrid played with Randy. “We learned a lot about fire safety today,” she said.

“I learned something else,” said Randy.

“What’s that?” Ingrid asked.

“It was more fun than I thought!” he said.

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Make and Confirm Predictions

Think about how you said Randy would feel at the end of the story. Were you correct? Explain.

Reread and Respond



1 Why is Randy disappointed after he gets to school?

Hint

See pages 228
and 229.

2 Why should every house have a smoke alarm?

Hint

See page 230.

3 What changes Randy's mind about fire safety?

Hint

See pages 231
and 232.