

TSAG PRESENTS

EMERGENCY SERVICES HEROES

AND THE ENORMOUS GRASSFIRE





This comic is the *second* in a series of comic books created by First Nations Technical Services Advisory Group to teach students in grade 3-6 about fire prevention and the Superheroes that protect us from fire dangers.

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October 6-12 was **Fire Prevention Week** in Alberta. The community fire hall had an Open House so that all the community members could come and check out the fire hall and firefighting equipment, learn more about fire prevention and safety, and meet the firefighters.

The firefighters had to do a lot of work to get ready for the Open House.



The day of the Open House finally arrived.

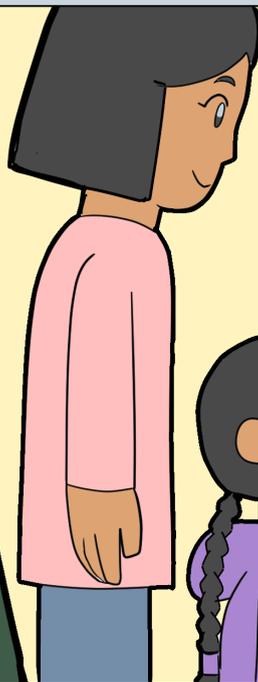
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OPEN HOUSE

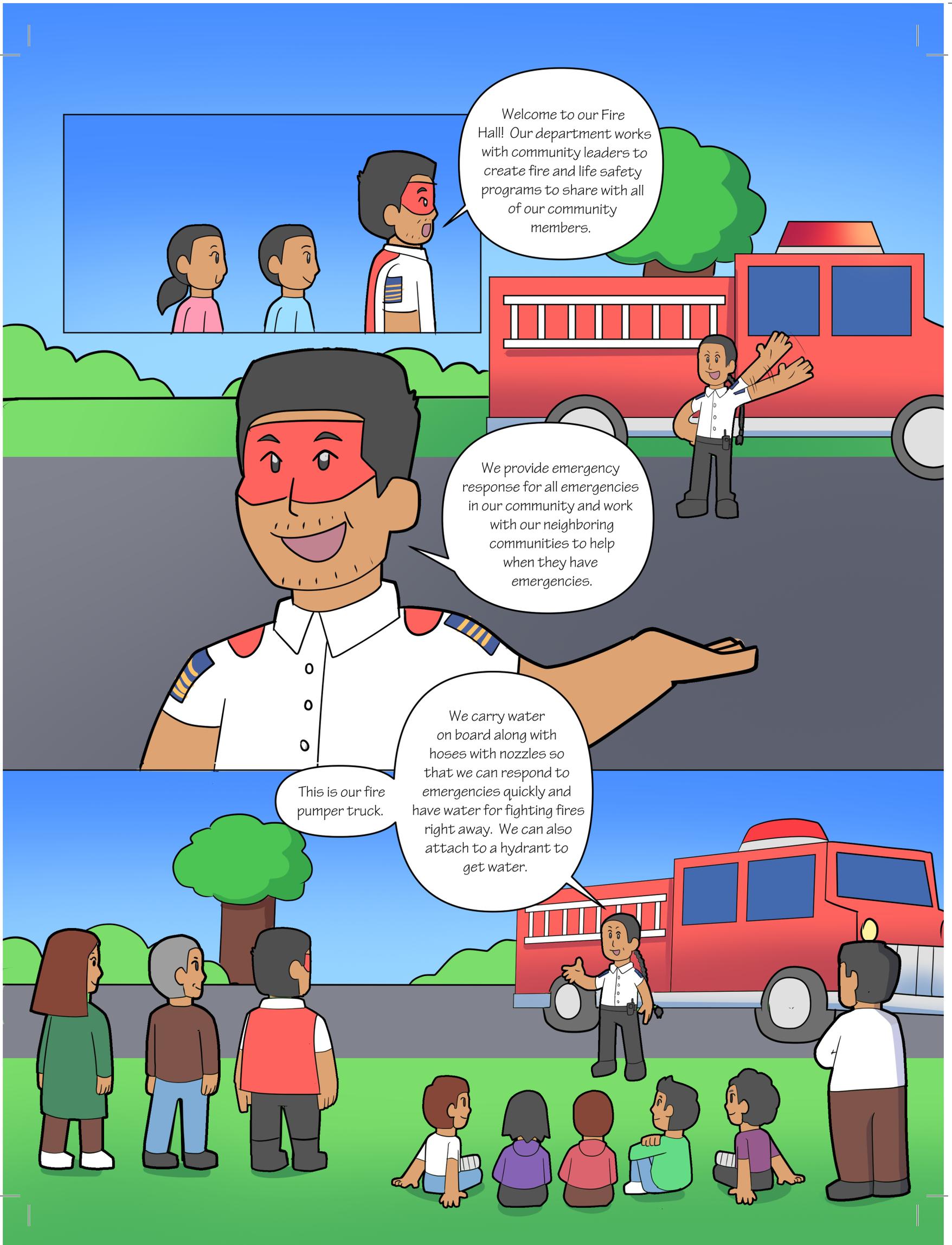


Where To Put Your
Smoke Detectors

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We would be
happy to come to your
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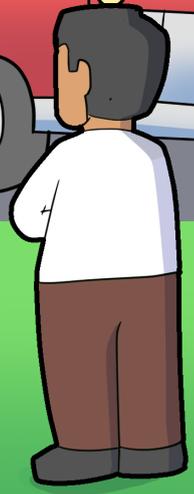
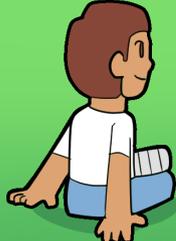


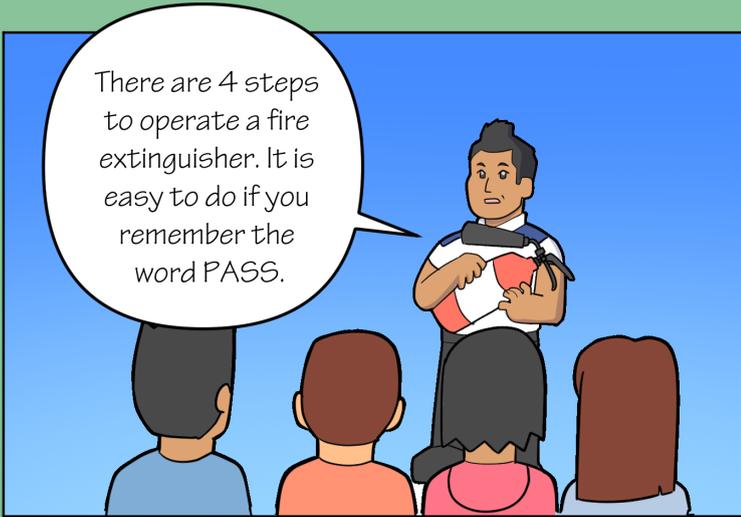
Welcome to our Fire Hall! Our department works with community leaders to create fire and life safety programs to share with all of our community members.

We provide emergency response for all emergencies in our community and work with our neighboring communities to help when they have emergencies.

We carry water on board along with hoses with nozzles so that we can respond to emergencies quickly and have water for fighting fires right away. We can also attach to a hydrant to get water.

This is our fire pumper truck.



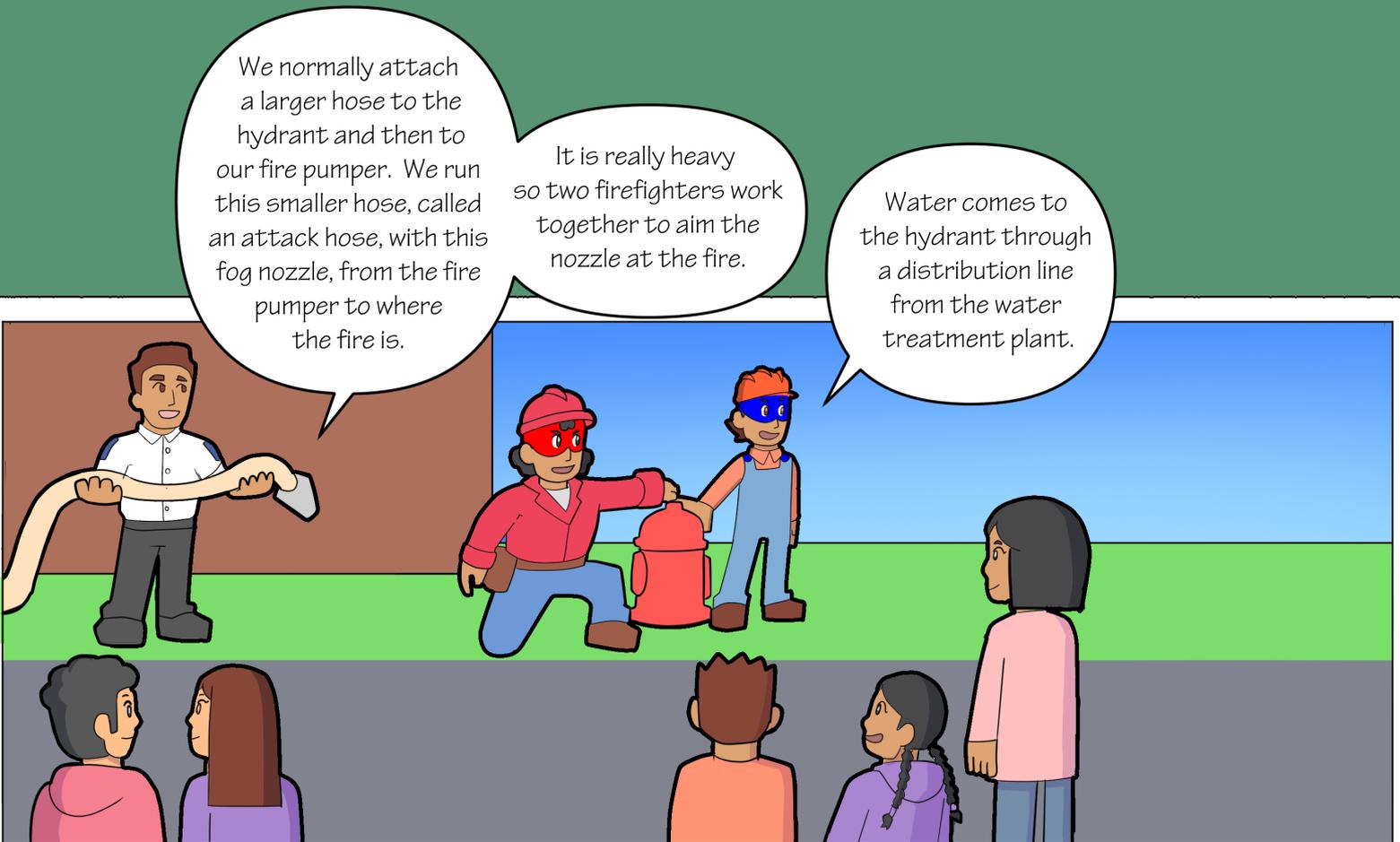


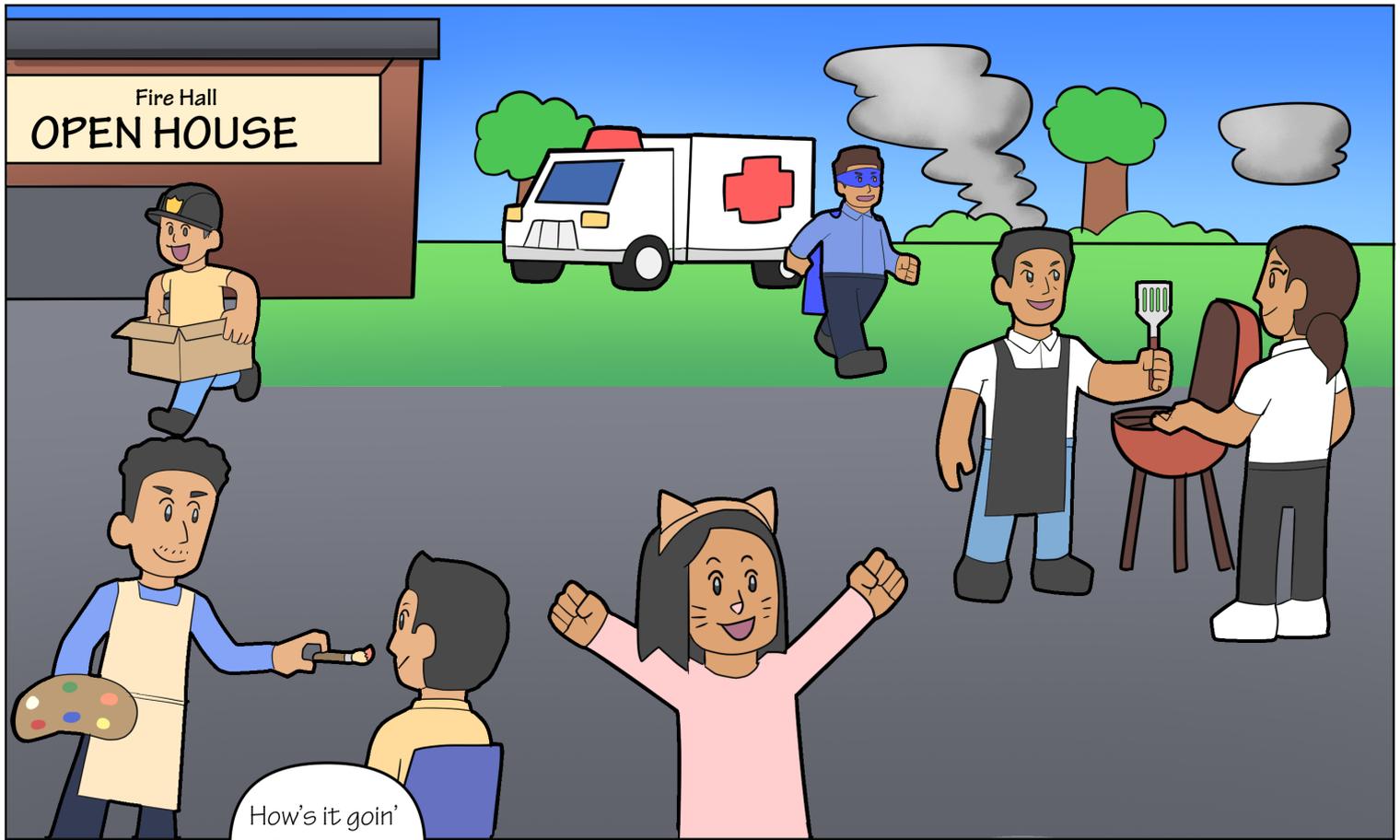
P Pull the pin out of the top of the fire extinguisher. Turn the extinguisher away from your body and press the handle to make sure it works.

A Stand a safe distance away from the fire and Aim the nozzle at the base of the fire.

S Squeeze the handle to release extinguisher contents.

S Move the nozzle from side to side in a Sweeping motion towards the base of the fire.





How's it goin' Paramedic Phoenix?



Since that flash flood in the Spring, things have been busy. We had to call in EHO Emma to work out the problem with H2O Joe.

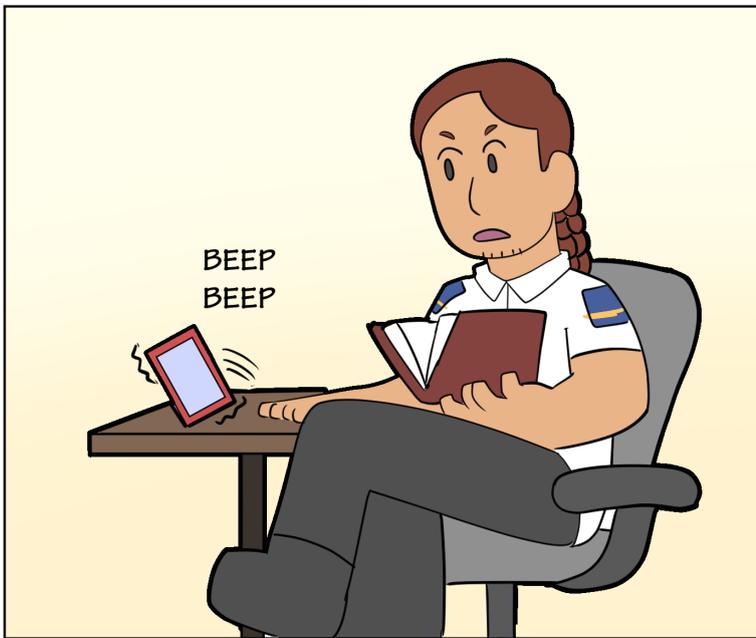
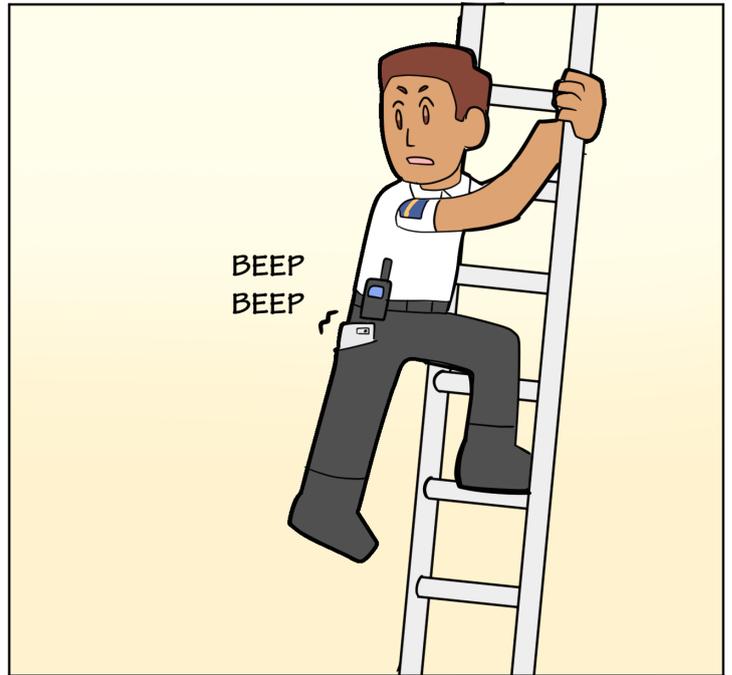
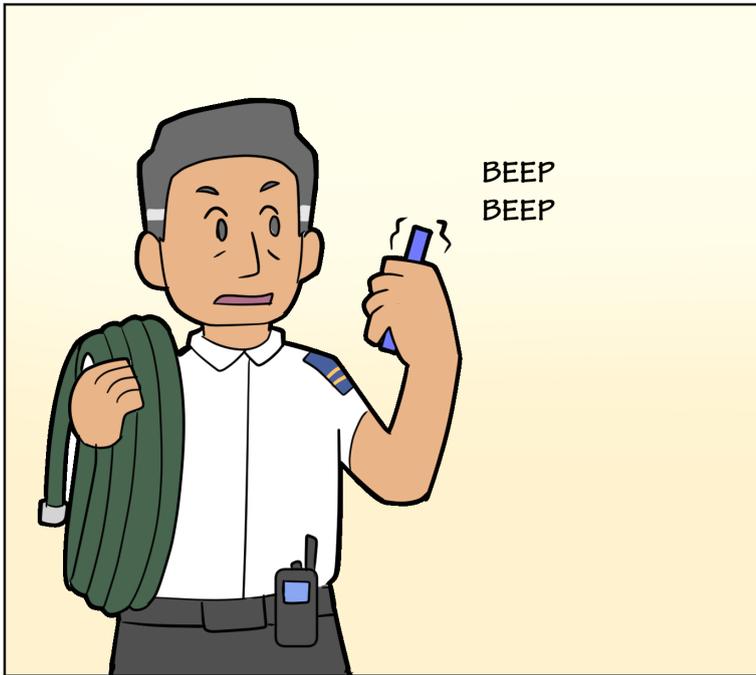
She had to issue a Boil Water Advisory. It didn't take them long to fix it though.



It's all good. Haven't had many emergencies in the community lately. How bout' you, Public Works Paul?

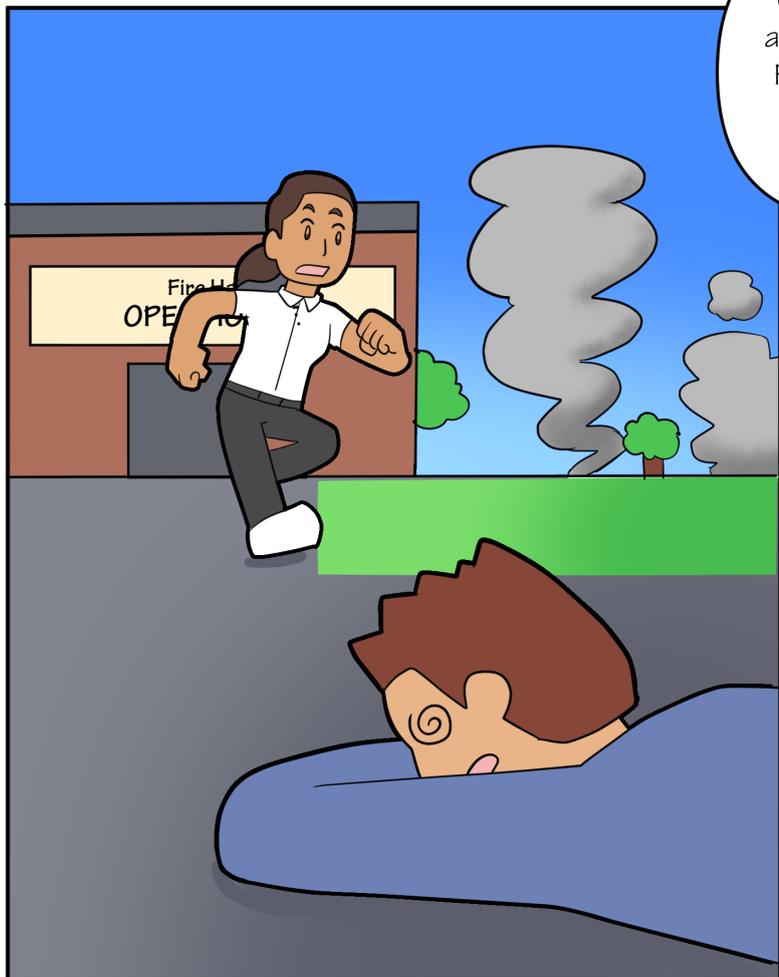
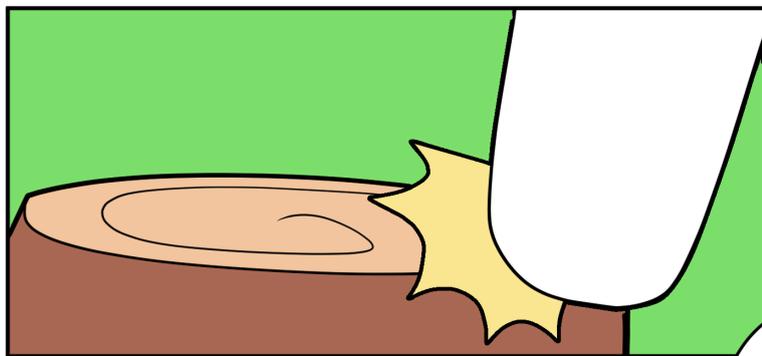
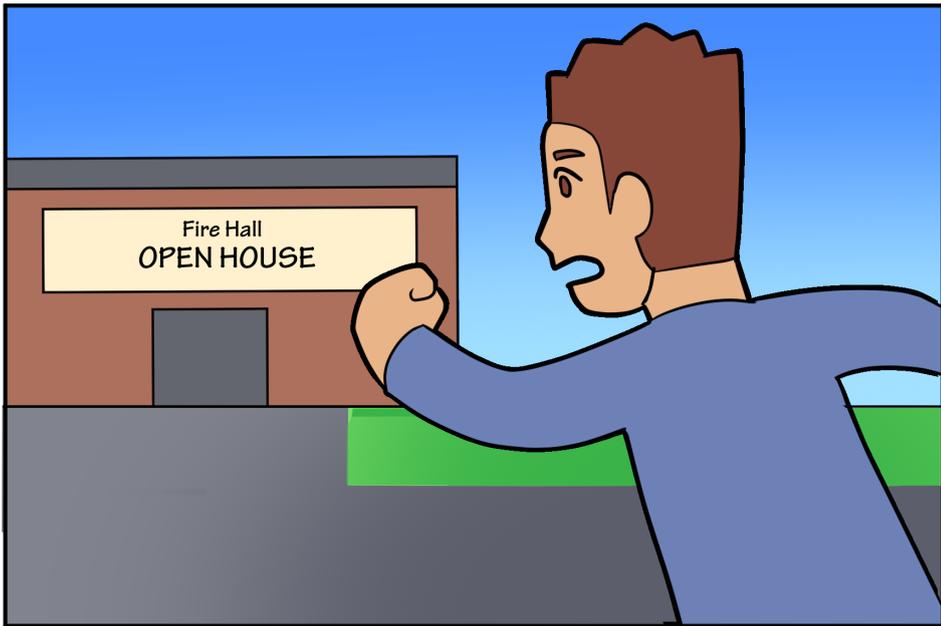


By the way, do you smell smoke by the way?



Attention! Attention!
We have a report of a brush pile fire that is getting out of control at Farmer Fred's address 14, North Rd. Fire Department, please respond to the fire!"

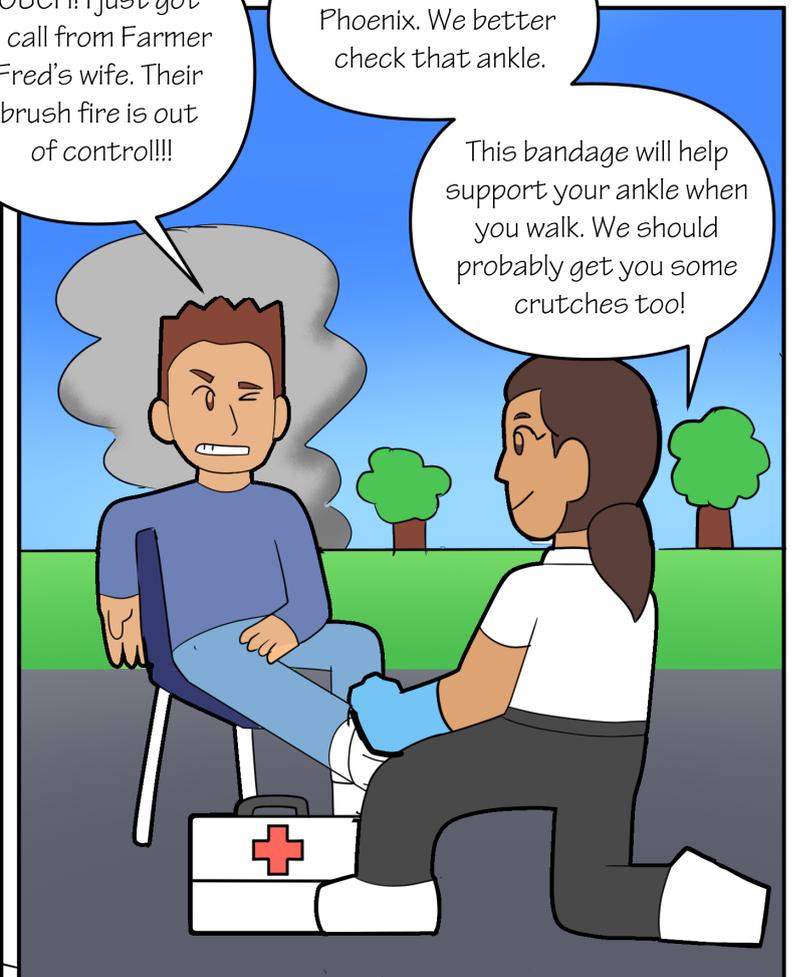




OUCH! I just got a call from Farmer Fred's wife. Their brush fire is out of control!!!

Hi, I am Paramedic Phoenix. We better check that ankle.

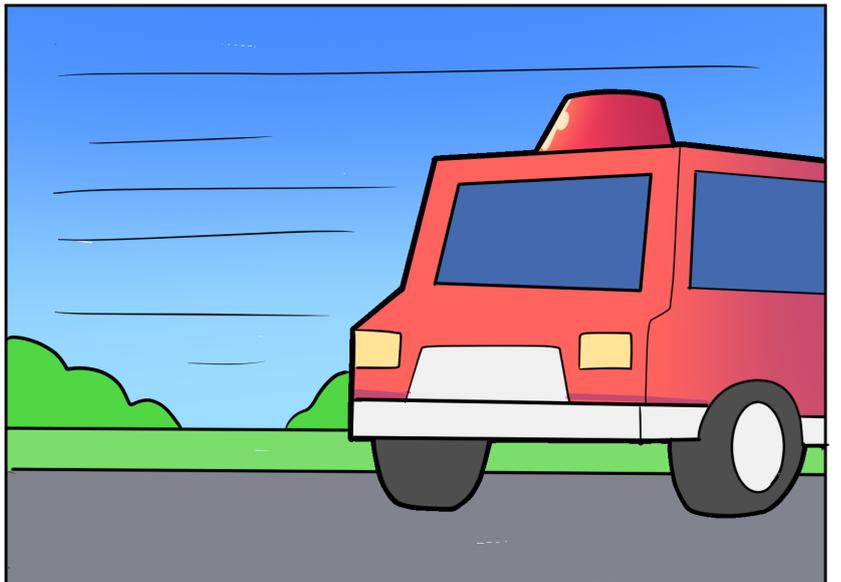
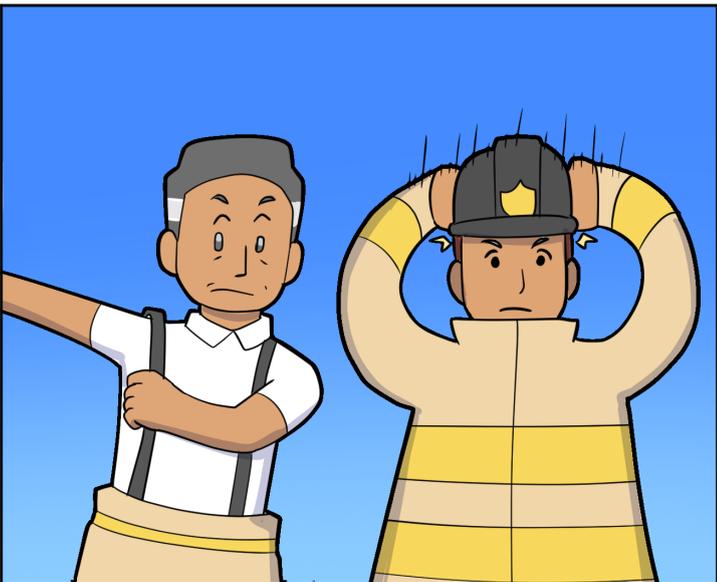
This bandage will help support your ankle when you walk. We should probably get you some crutches too!

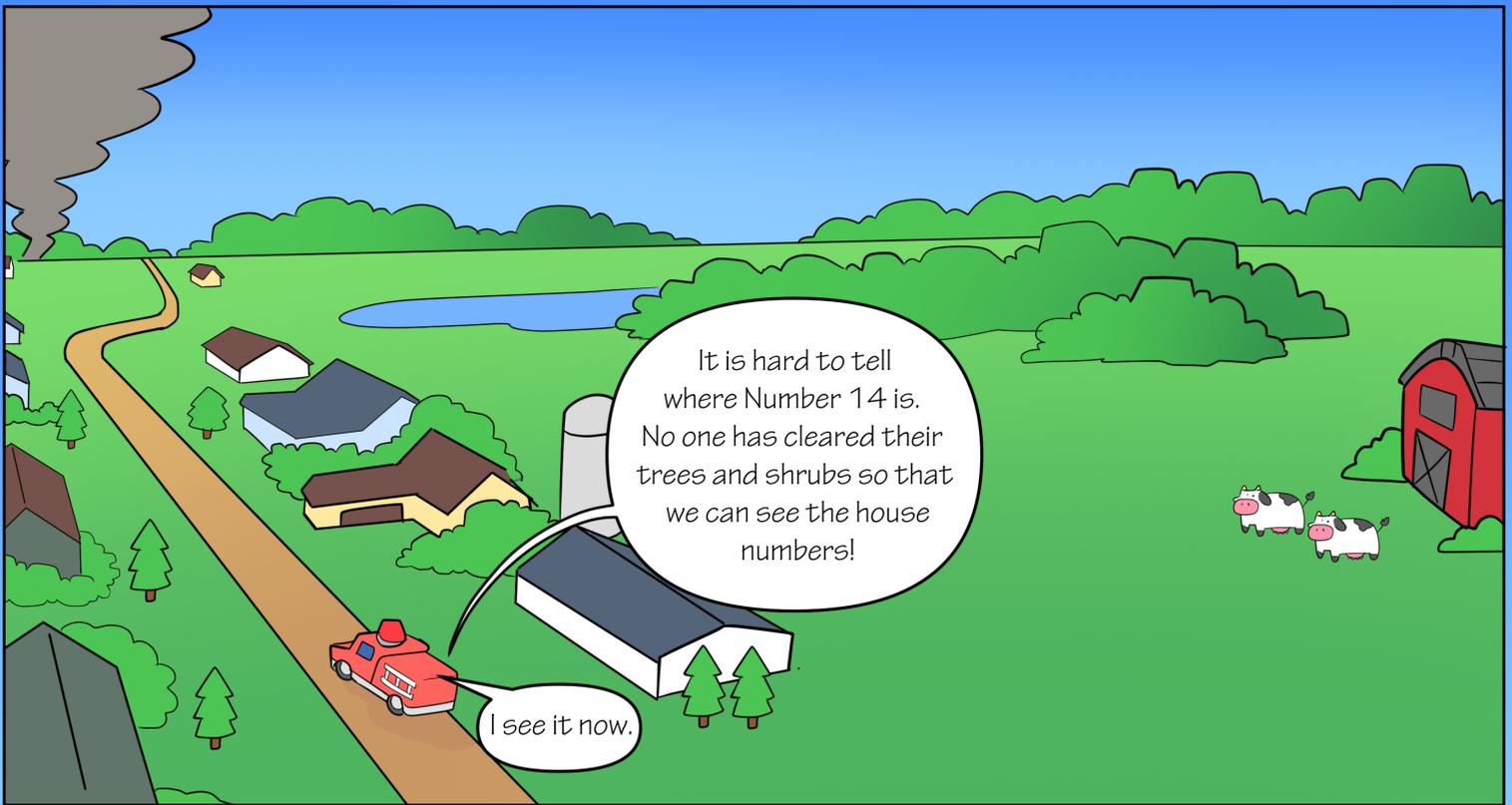




Firefighter Fox, you are the most senior on shift and I want you to take this call as commander.

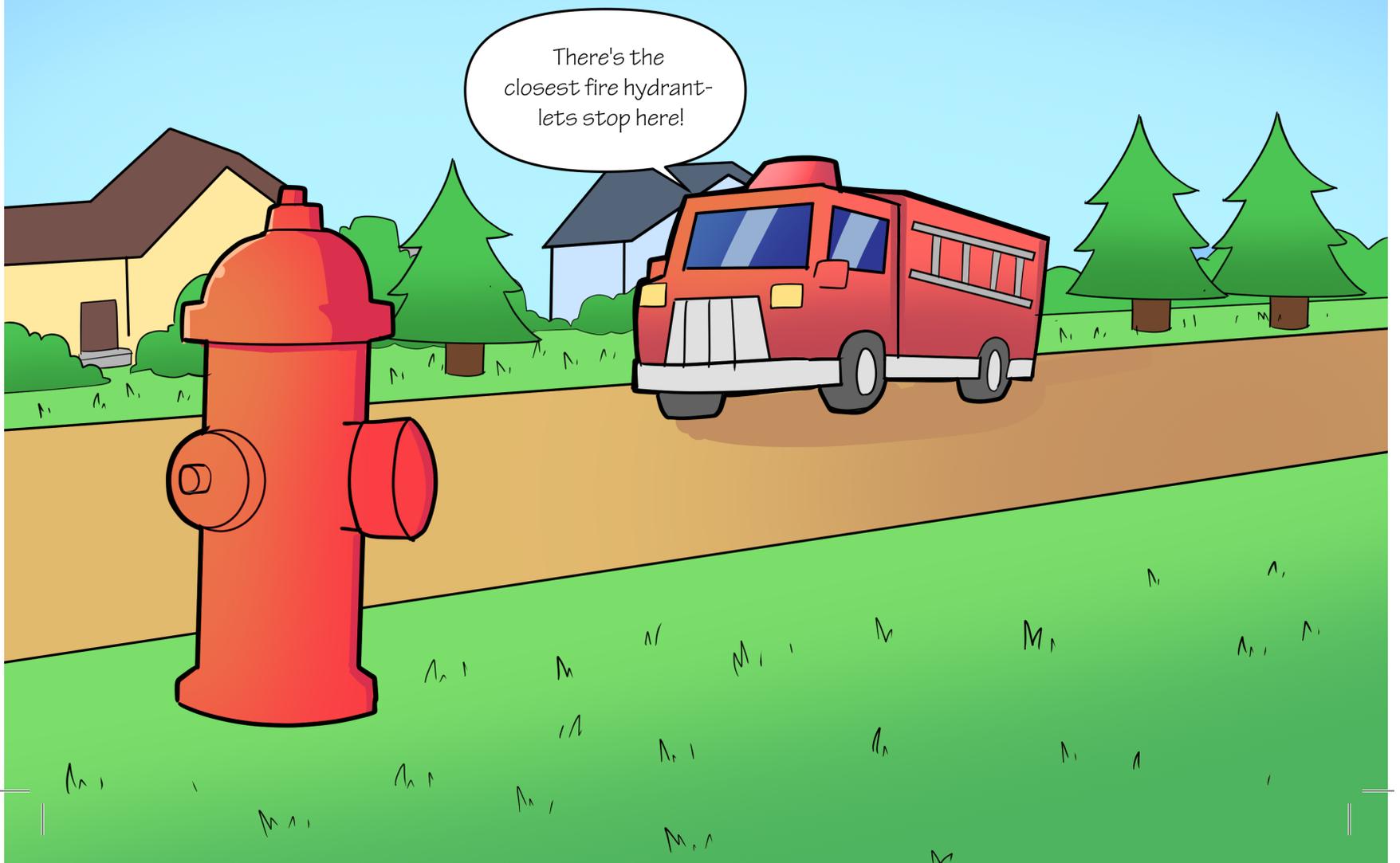
Yes sir, I will!



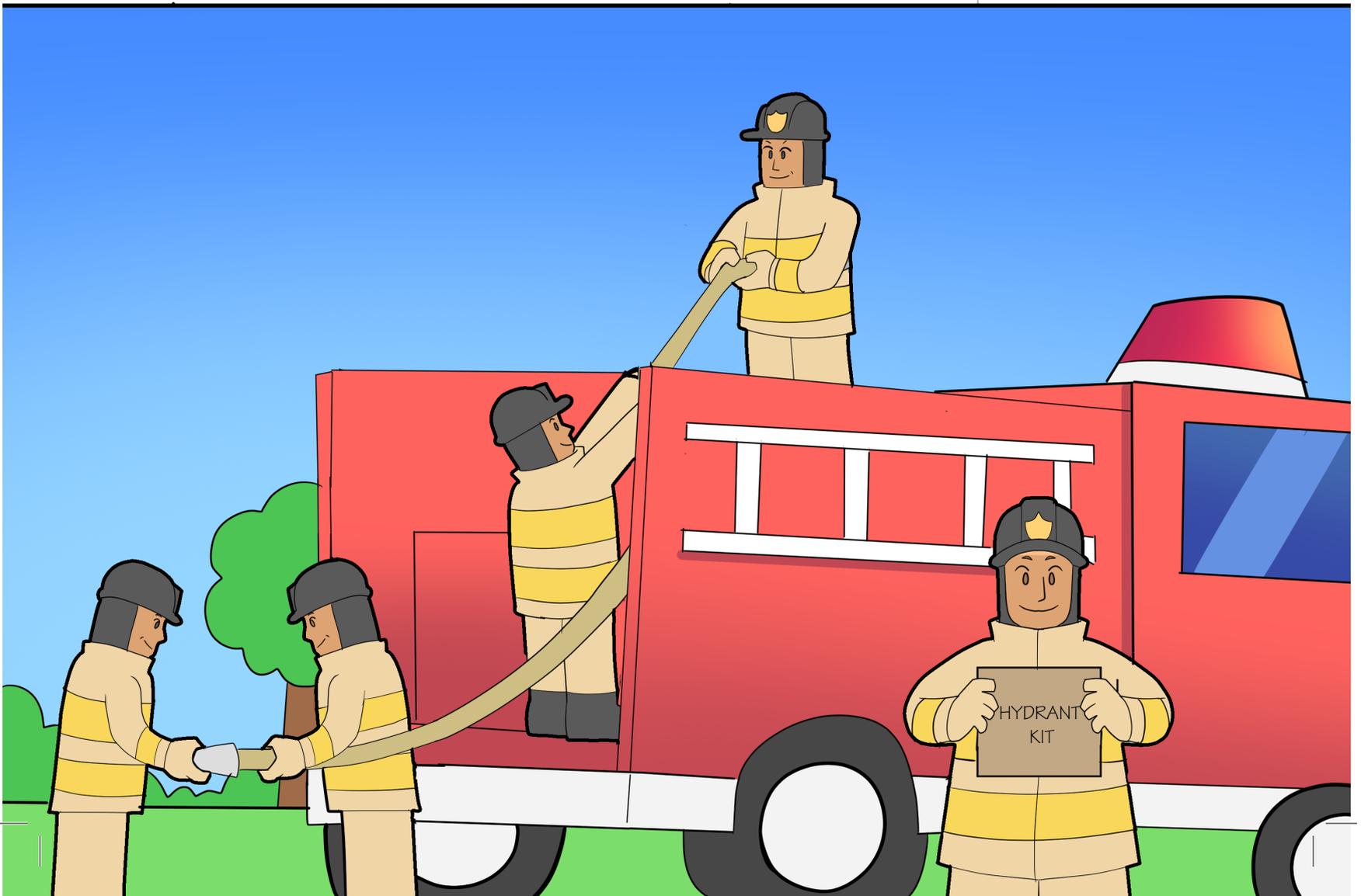


It is hard to tell where Number 14 is. No one has cleared their trees and shrubs so that we can see the house numbers!

I see it now.



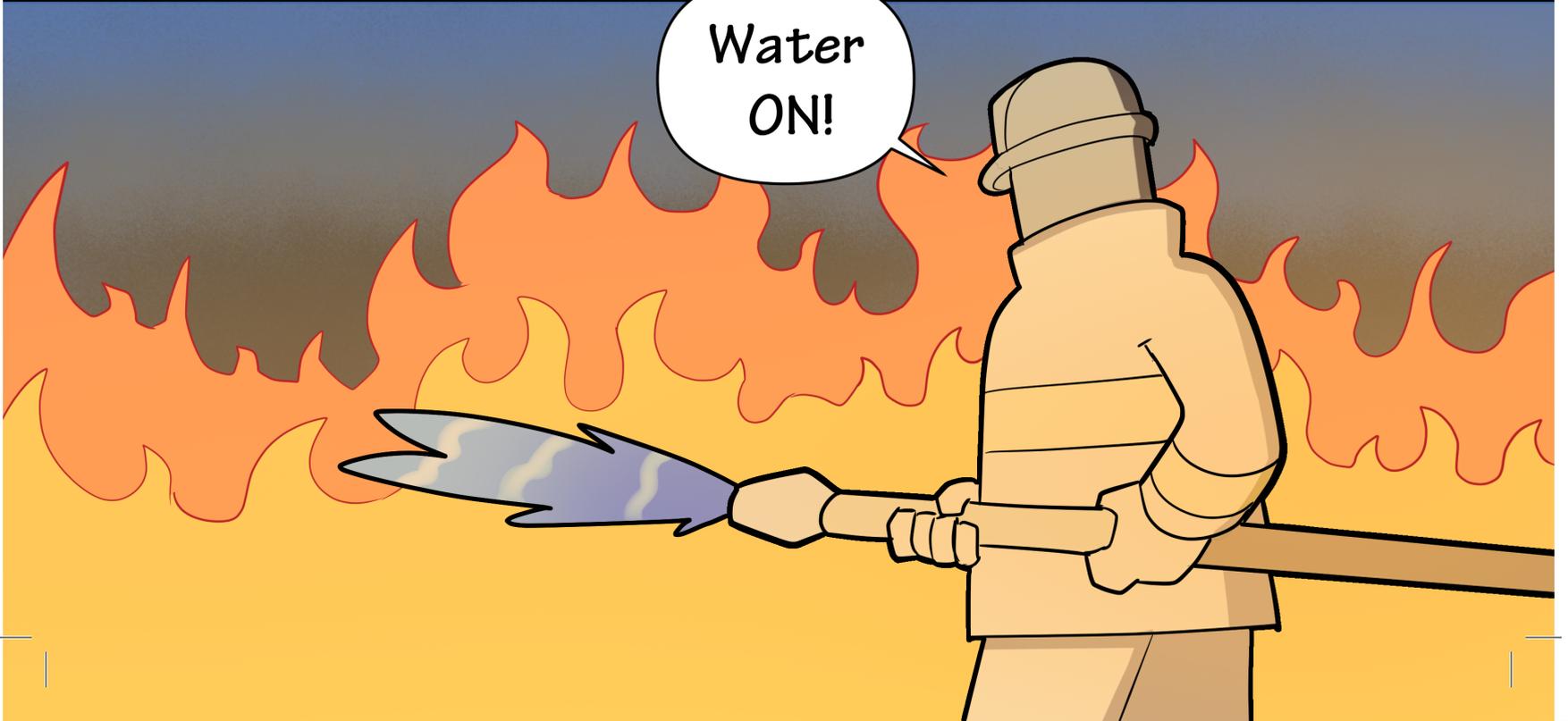
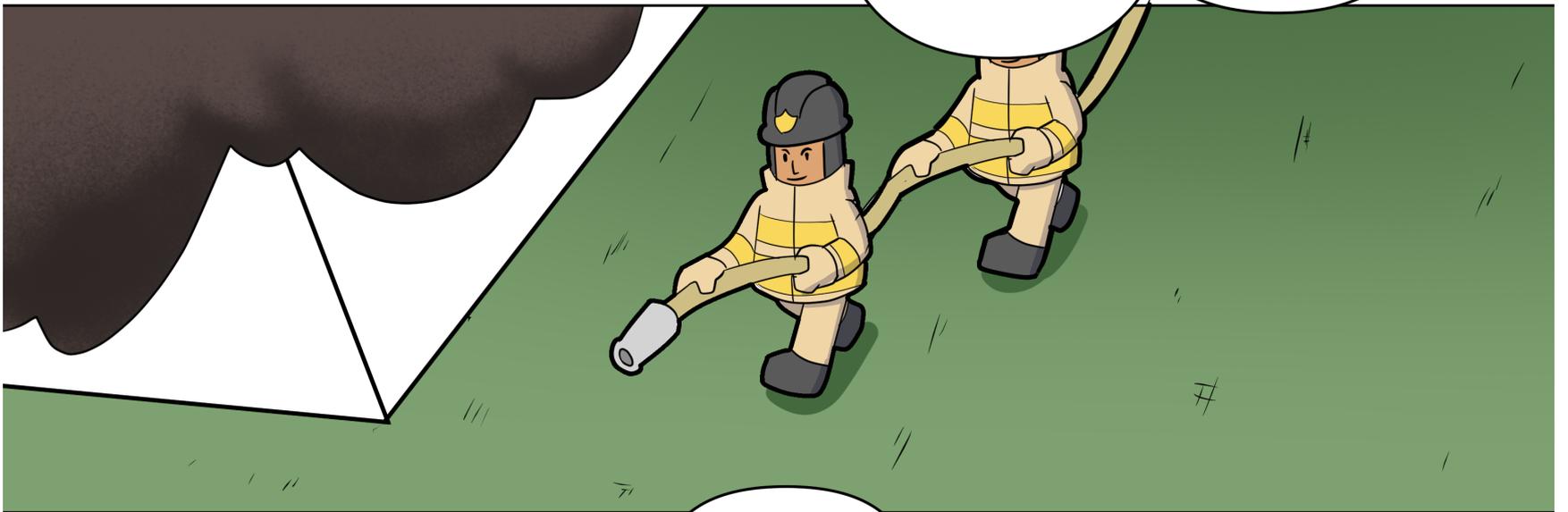
There's the closest fire hydrant- lets stop here!



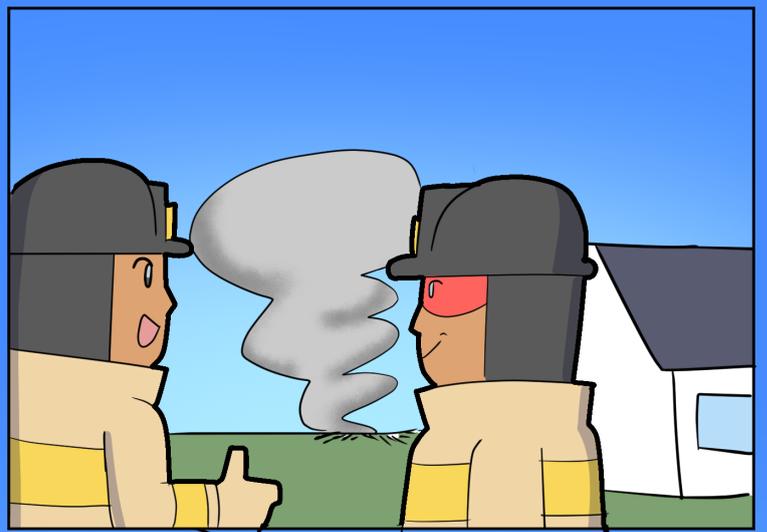
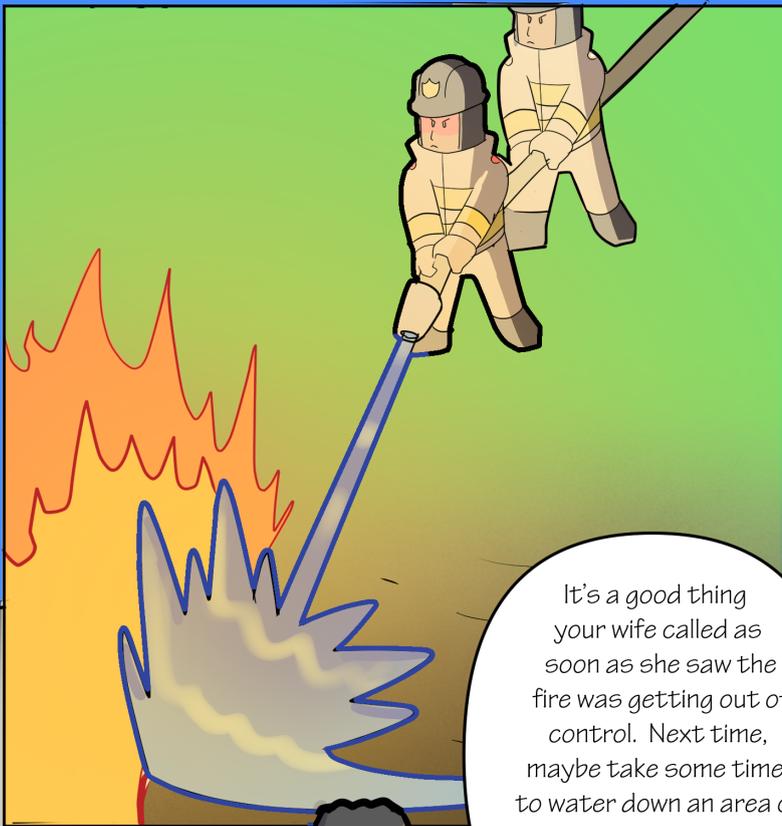
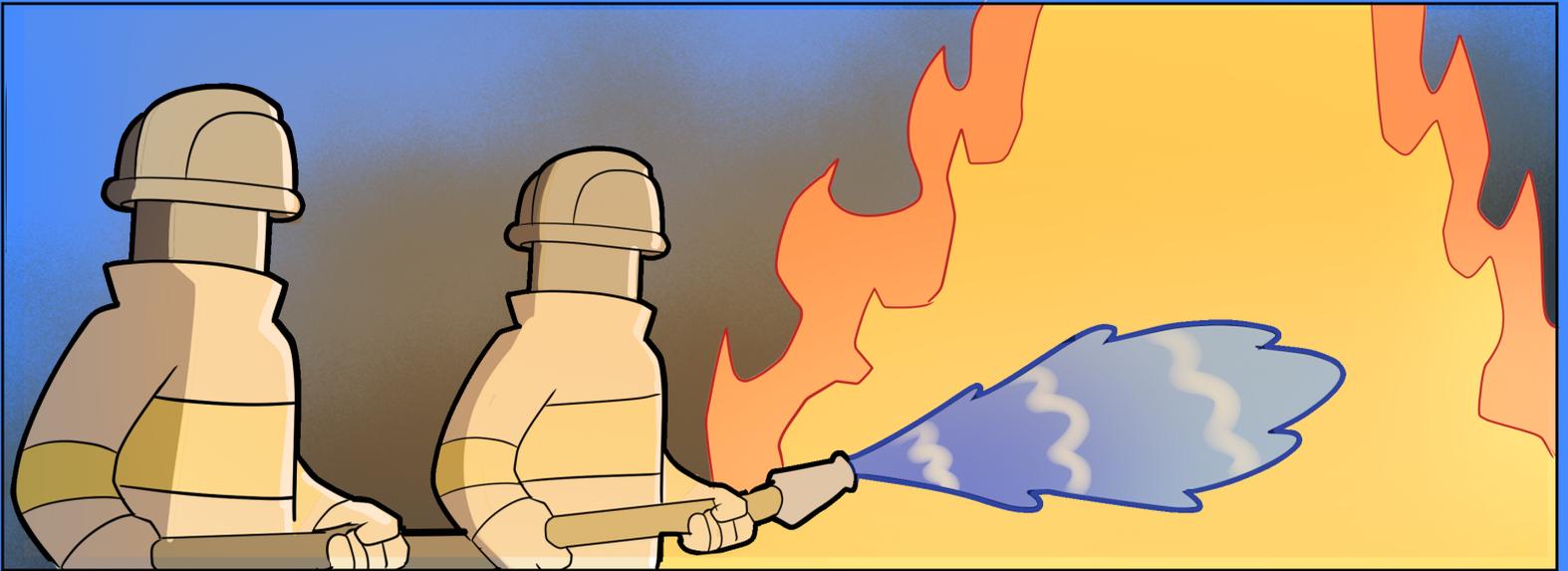


Dispatch this is Firefighter Fox. Engine 1 has arrived on scene on #14 North Road at this time. We are establishing a water supply and pulling a single attack line to attack the brush fire.

This will be an offensive attack. Command is with Firefighter Fox at Engine 1. Command is North Road Command.



Water ON!



It's a good thing your wife called as soon as she saw the fire was getting out of control. Next time, maybe take some time to water down an area of about 4 meters around the whole brush pile before lighting up.

It would also help if you made smaller brush piles instead of one really large one. Burn one small pile at a time. It will be much safer for you AND our community.



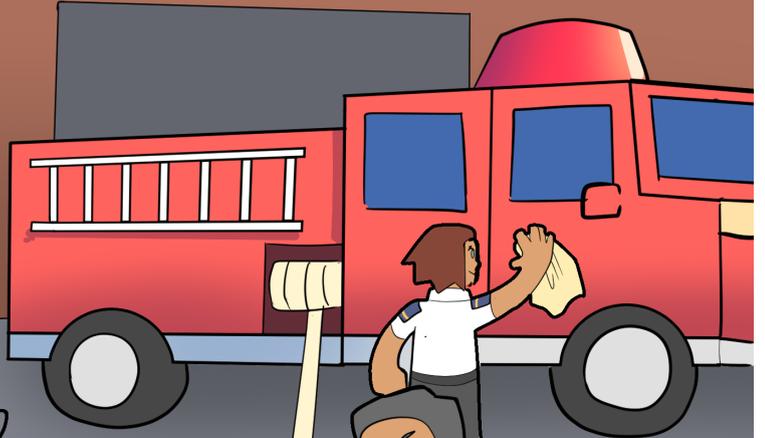
Back at the Fire Hall...

FIRE HALL NO. 1



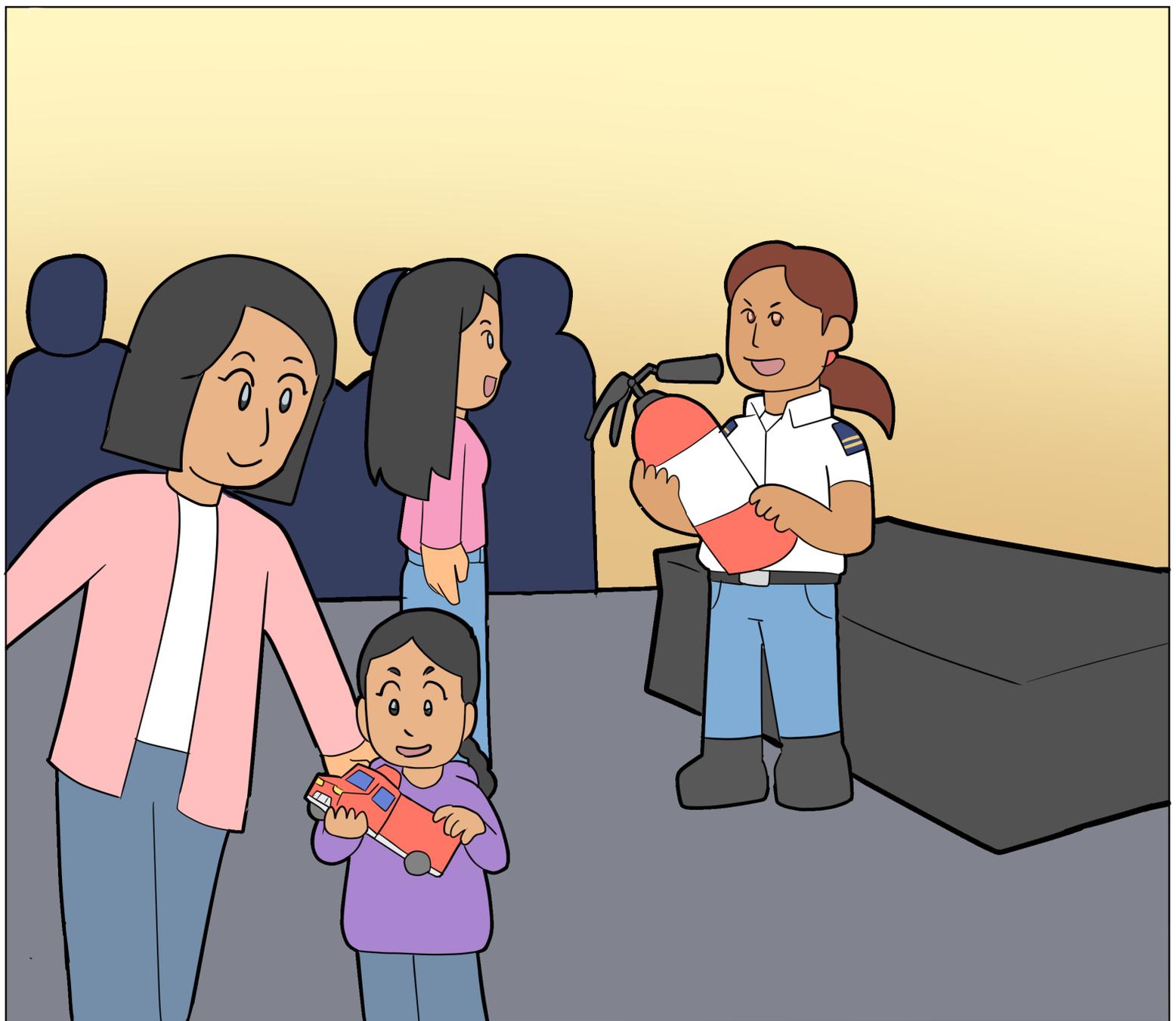
Let's make sure we're ready for the next time we're called, ok?

I'll start on the incident report for the Chief.



Later that day...

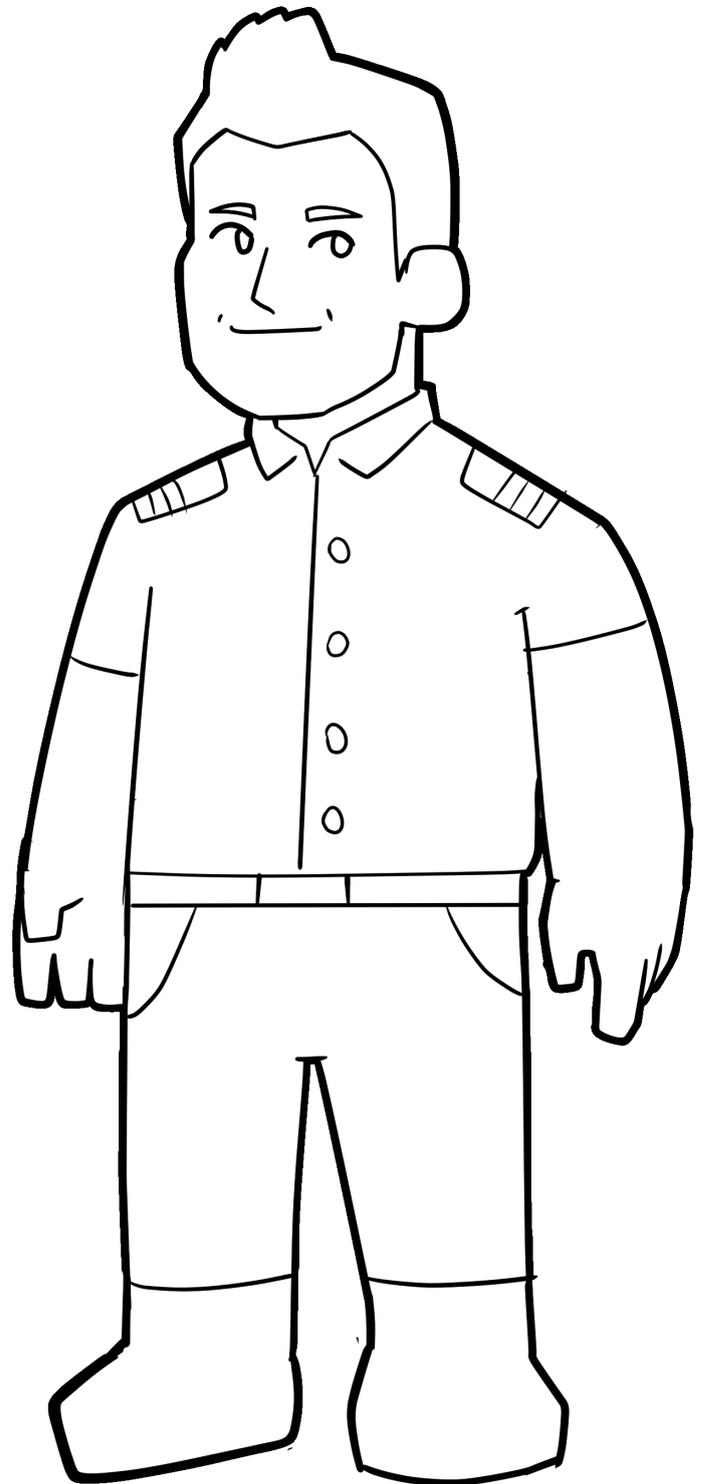
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Tear-Out Page: Firefighter Fox

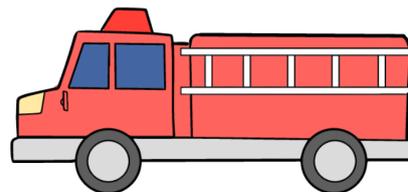
Firefighters are trained to respond to all sorts of emergencies that can happen in your community.

They fight fires, rescue people, perform medical response, and fight wildfires. They also help the Chief educate community members about fire safety.

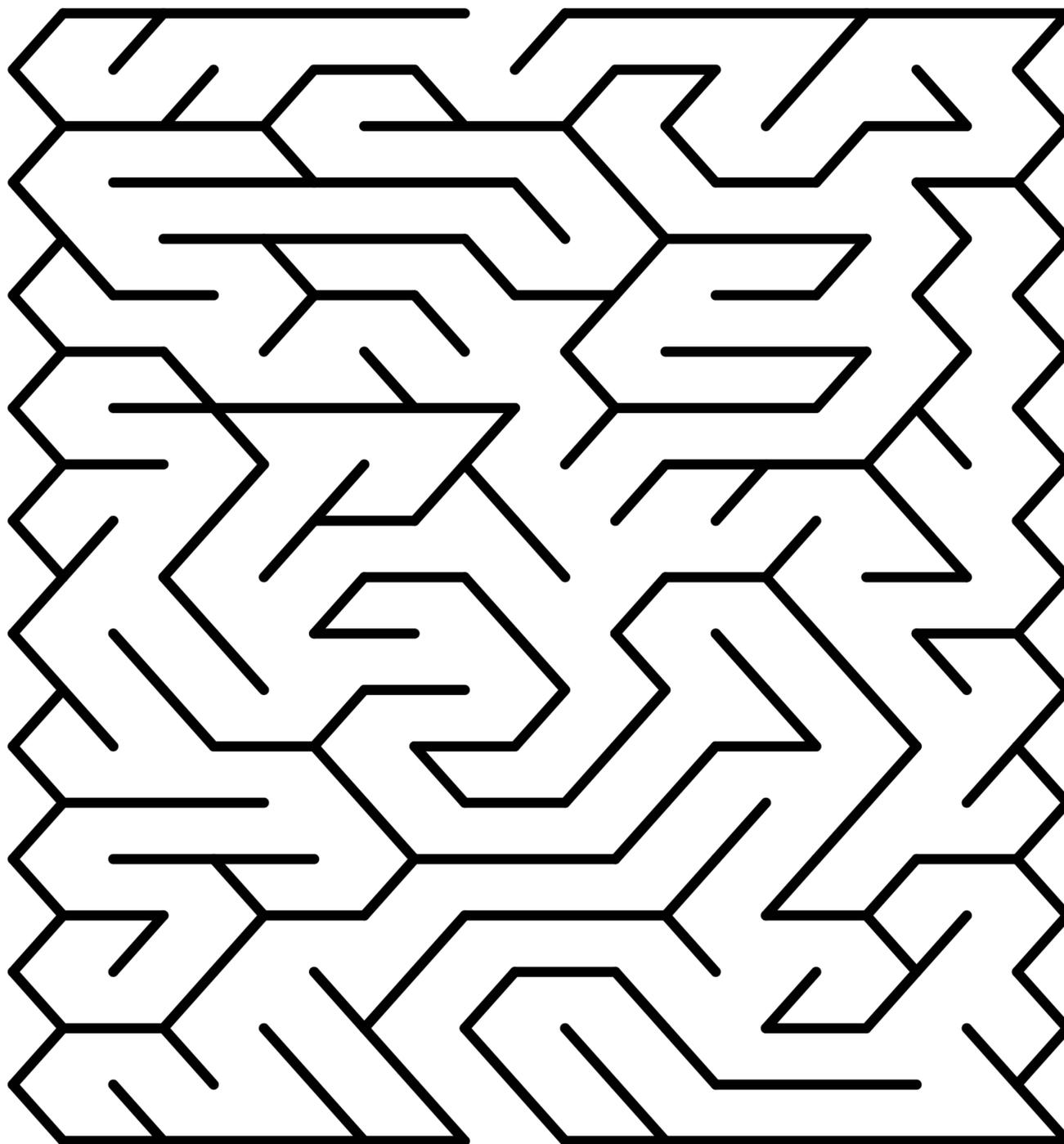


Activity:

Lead the Fire Truck through
the maze so the Firefighters can put out the fire!



Start!



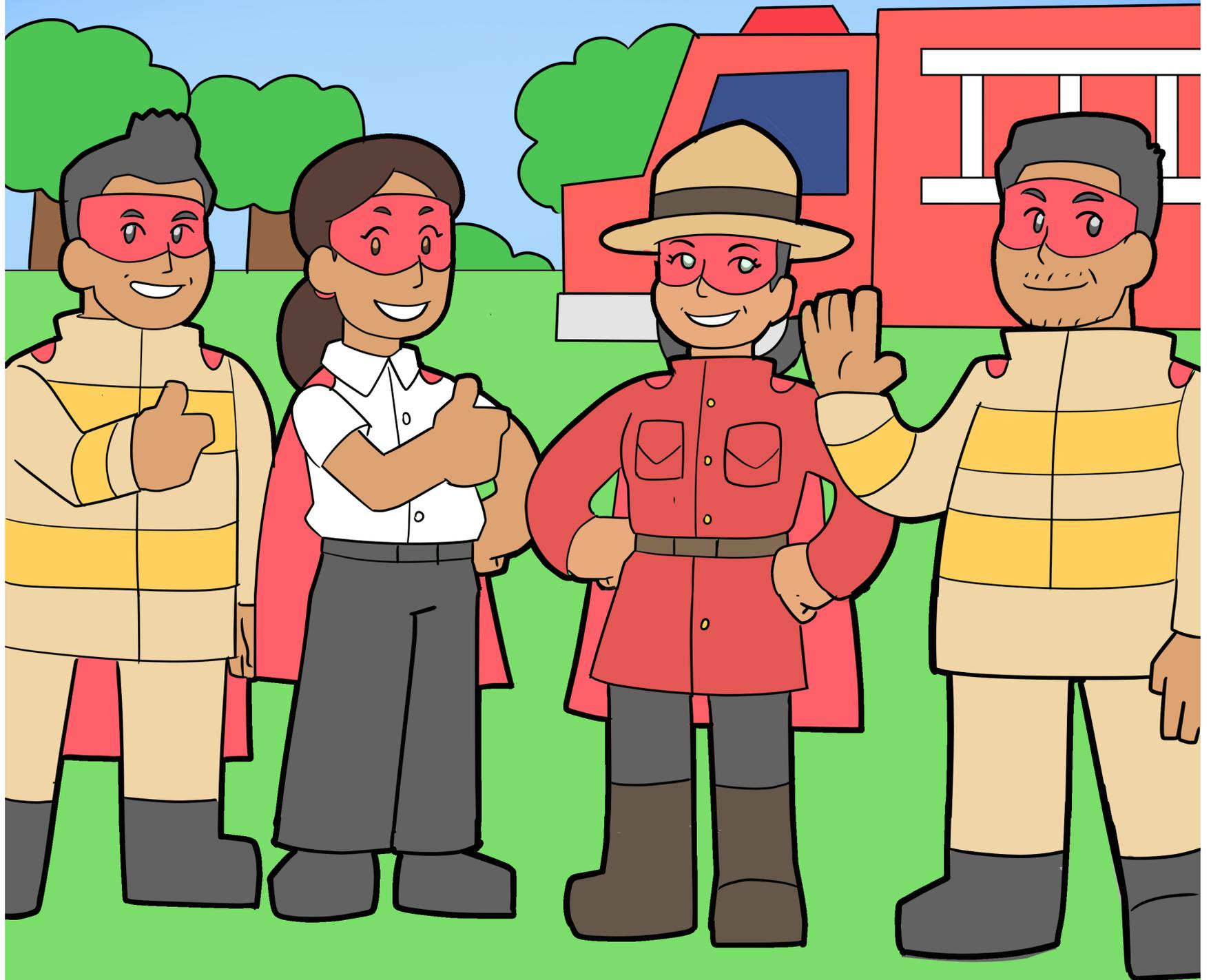
End!

For Parents and Teachers:

Fire Safety Tips

- Purchase a fire extinguisher. Keep it where it is accessible, ensure everyone knows the location, and make sure all adults know how to use it.
- Always store lighters and matches in a safe place and out of children's reach.
- Never pile things close to a source of heat.
- If you have a wood burning stove or fireplace, keep a grate in front of it.
- Never leave candles unattended.
- Never leave candles burning around unsupervised children.
- Unplug any appliances that are not being used.
- Always check to make sure you have turned off or unplugged appliances before leaving the house or going to bed.
- Do not overload electrical outlets.
- Clean up any splashed grease from your stove and oven.
- Replace damaged phone charging cables.
- Ensure all appliance cords are in good condition.
- Always keep hallways and stairs free of clutter.
- Do not smoke in bed, better yet-don't let anyone smoke in your home.
- Keep a list of emergency numbers by your phone or on your phone.
- Create a family fire escape plan and practice it regularly.
- Keep flammable liquids stored in safe and well-labelled containers.
- Never go back into a burning building.
- Make sure that your address is easy to read from the street so that emergency services can locate it quickly.





*See you again for the next
Emergency Services Hero adventure!*