Fire Safety: Fire Heroes

Instructor's Guide: Grades 2-3



Preface

The First Nations Technical Services Advisory Group Inc., (TSAG), provides technical services and training for First Nations in Alberta in Asset Management, Circuit Rider Training, Water and Wastewater Management, Environmental Management, Housing Support Services, Fire Safety, Rural Addressing, Information Technology Services, and Virtual Healthcare. As a third-party service provider, we are funded by Indigenous Services Canada (ISC), and the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch of Canada (FNIHB) to deliver these services.

TSAG's values are:

Integrity: We value honesty, trust, and confidentiality in our

relationships and re committed to achieving excellence.

Accountability: We accept responsibility for our actions and decisions.

Respect: We will respect the rights of First Nations, our partners,

and our employees.

These values are the foundation on which TSAG is built. We continually strive to create programming and build capacity within our First Nations to support our people today and expand to future generations. We welcome your feedback, hope that you utilize this information as lesson plans and share the knowledge with those around you.

Forward

Fire has always been an important symbol in First Nations Culture. It brings warmth, prepares food and water for safe consumption, acts as a defense against predatory animals and has a spiritual meaning. It can bring new growth, but it can also bring destruction and devastation. An element as important as this requires the utmost respect and care.

The TSAG Fire Keepers initiative was created in 2022 to continue to bring awareness and education to youth about the importance of Fire Safety in and around their home and community.

As your students learn about <u>Fire and Fire Safety</u>, we hope that they will continue to develop respect for fire and recognize the significance of this element to their family, community, and culture. It is with that sentiment that TSAG is honored to share these lessons with you.

Lesson Overview

This lesson teaches that Firefighters are our friends and community helpers. Children will learn about what Firefighters wear, how their gear protects and helps them in their work and what their equipment is used for. Additionally, they will learn more about fire trucks and the equipment they carry. Please note that this lesson plan contains 2 suggested lesson plans. You can either get a local fire fighter to come to the class to speak (along with his fire truck that the children can go out and look at) OR the concepts can be taught in the classroom with several videos and activities.

Lesson Length

30 minutes

Materials Needed

- Computer and projector
- Student booklets
- Book "Curious George and the Fire Fighters"
- TSAG PowerPoint

Lesson Preparation

- Ensure you have enough copies of the student booklet.
- Call your local fire department and see if they could deploy a firefighter and truck to your school to discuss what a firefighter does, and what equipment they have on their trucks.
- **Note:** If it is not possible to bring a fire truck to the school, there are several videos embedded in the PowerPoint that discuss fire trucks.
- You may want to ask other teachers to join your class.
- Preview the videos embedded in the PowerPoint slides to ensure your students will not be alarmed by them.

How to Make This Class Successful

Before Class

Come prepared with examples from your own background/experience.

During Class

- Be prepared to share your thoughts on various topics.
- Keep the class on track and focused on the issues.

After Class

Write down your feedback on the lesson and submit it to TSAG.

Alberta Education Objectives:

This lesson aligns with Alberta Education's Health and Life Skills Program of Studies:

• **W-2.10** identify members of personal safety support networks and how to access assistance, e.g., family members, teachers, Block Parents, police, clergy, neighbours

https://www.learnalberta.ca/ProgramOfStudy.aspx?lang=en&ProgramId=3174 13#

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Lesson Objectives:

Together you and your students will:

- 1. Identify the gear that firefighters wear and explain what it is used for.
- 2. Recognize that fire fighters are our friends and community helpers.
- 3. List 2 jobs that fire fighters do.

Intro	duction and Review	Check as you complete each task
	s to Discuss with your Class: Today we are going to learn about the wonderful firefighters that help us every day, but before we start let's review what we learned last month.	
Ask t	he class:	
>	Who remembers what we learned about last month in our Fire Safety class? ✓ Preventing fires	
>	What were some of the fire hazards that we talked about? ✓ too many plugged in, damaged cords or appliances, matches left out, candles burning, heaters too close to curtains etc.	
>	What are some things you and your family can do to prevent fires with matches, toasters, wood stoves, candles?	
	✓ Keep matches in a safe place, always unplug your appliances (and replace any when the cords are damaged), make sure someone is always in the kitchen when food is being cooked, don't play with candles, keep flammable items away from stoves, candles, and other sources of heat	
>	What should you do if you find matches or a lighter? ✓ if you are 7 or older you give them to an adult, if you are younger, you tell the adult where they are.	
>	What was one fire prevention rule you created?	
	es to Discuss with your Class: You can do a lot to prevent fires in your home and community. But sometimes they still happen. When fires occur, we must get out of our homes and call the	

- emergency services. The fire fighters come-they are our Heroes.
- Today we are going to learn more about firefighters, what they do, and what their fire trucks are like.

About the Fire Fighters

Topics to Discuss with your Class:

- Fire fighters live and work in our community. They are our friends and sometimes even part of some of our families. They are community helpers that we can trust to help us.
- Firefighters are safe people to go to in a fire because they will know how to help you. You should never hide from a fire fighter.

Ask the class:

- Does anyone here know any fire fighters in our community?
- Does anyone know what fire fighters do?

Speak About

Let's begin by looking at what they do all day long.

Class Activity:

- Show the video embedded in the PowerPoint "Learn to be a Firefighter-Tommy Flames". Note start the video at 3:40 and run until 6:03. Discuss according to the speakers notes.
- Show the second video embedded in the PowerPoint "
 The Gear Firefighters Wear" and write down each
 piece of equipment that the firefighter discusses as
 the video is playing.
- When the video is complete, point to each of the items of clothing or equipment that you wrote on the board and ask the children to remind you of what it is for.
- Read the story book "Curious George and the Firefighters."

All About Fire Engines

Class Activity:

1. Show the video embedded in the PowerPoint entitled "All About Fire Engines" and ask the questions in the speakers notes.

Cond	cluding Activity	
1.	Activity: Ask the children what their favorite piece of equipment a fire fighter use are, and why. Ask the children to complete the activity on page 8 of their booklet.	
Take	Home Activity	
1.	Ask the students to question their parents about what firefighters do and then ask their parents if they know any local firefighters. If they do, they can ask their parents if they can go meet them. If their parents don't know any local firefighters, they can ask their parents to take them to their local fire services team to meet some firefighters.	

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