How to make a Home Fire Escape Plan

- Draw a map of your home. Show all doors and windows.
- Visit each room. Find two ways out.
- All windows and doors open easily. You should be able to use them to get outside.
- Make sure your home has smoke alarms. Push the test button to make sure each alarm is working.
- Pick an outside meeting place a safe distance from your home where everyone should meet.
- The house or building number can be seen from the street.
- Make sure your plan meets the needs of all your family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities.
- Everyone in the home should know the fire department’s emergency number and how to call once they are safely outside.
- Practice your home fire drill at least twice a year with everyone in the household, including guests. Practice at least once during the day and at night.

Sample Escape Plan
Memorize your fire department’s emergency phone number and write it below:

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• Draw a floor plan or a map of your home. Show all doors and windows.
• Mark two ways out of each room.
• Mark all of the smoke alarms with SA. Smoke alarms should be in each sleeping room, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home.
• Pick a family meeting place outside where everyone can meet.
• Remember, practice your plan at least twice a year!

Grown-ups: Children don’t always wake up when the smoke alarm sounds. Know what your child will do before a fire occurs.

For more fire safety resources, visit sparky.org and sparkyschoolhouse.org.

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