

YOUR PREPAREDNESS FACT

This Week:

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

October 9-15, 2011



This week is Fire Prevention Week. If you took a quiz today to test your fire safety knowledge, how well do you think you would do? Want to find out? Take the 10-question quiz now! (*No peaking at the answers!*)

1. What is the leading item first ignited in a cooking fire?

- a. Clothing
- b. Food
- c. Paper Product
- d. Pot Holder

2. Where do most home fires start?

- a. Basement
- b. Bedroom
- c. Kitchen
- d. Living/Family Room

3. Home fires peak between what time period?

- a. Midnight-3:00 a.m.
- b. 3:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m.
- c. 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- d. 8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

4. All smoke alarms should be replaced every

- a. 15 years
- b. 10 years
- c. 5 years
- d. 1 year

5. For the best protection, all smoke alarms should be interconnected. Why?

- a. So you don't need to change the batteries
- b. So you only need to test one
- c. So you know they are working properly
- d. So that when one sounds, they all sound

6. If the smoke alarm sounds, you should do what?

- a. Call the fire department and then leave the home
- b. Get outside and then call the fire department
- c. Remove the battery
- d. Wait for the fire department to arrive

7. Smoke alarms should be installed

- a. On every level of the home, inside each bedroom and outside each sleeping area.
- b. On every level of the home, outside each sleeping area, and in the kitchen
- c. On the levels of the home where people sleep
- d. On every level of the home and inside each bedroom

8. A home fire escape drill should be practiced at least how often?

- a. Once a month
- b. Twice a month
- c. Once a year
- d. Twice a year

9. If you have home fire sprinklers in your home and there is a fire,

- a. Only the sprinkler closest to the fire will go off
- b. Only the sprinkler near the door(s) leading outside will go off
- c. All sprinklers in the home will go off
- d. All sprinklers in the home will go off and continue releasing water until the fire department turns them off

10. Working smoke alarms; a home fire escape plan; and home fire sprinklers

- a. Will protect your family from fire
- b. Are the focus for 2011 Fire Prevention Week
- c. Are important parts of a home fire safety plan
- d. All of the above

Answers to the quiz:

- 1 **b** - Food
- 2 **c** - Kitchen
- 3 **c** - 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- 4 **b** - 10 years
- 5 **d** - So that when one sounds, they all sound
- 6 **b** - Get outside and then call the fire department
- 7 **a** - On every level of the home, inside each bedroom and outside each sleeping area.
- 8 **d** - Twice a year
- 9 **a** - Only the sprinkler closest to the fire will go off
- 10 **d** - All the above

So how did you do? Surprised by some of the answers? The important thing to remember is that you learned something new today, right? Now do *YOUR* part for preparedness and

.....pass along the information!

Want more information? Here is a link for consumers, kids and public educators:

This link will-

Help families and kids learn about fire safety

Give teachers lesson plans and checklists to send home to families

Give the fire service all the material they will need for campaigns

Fast facts about fire

Videos and public service announcements

Safety Prevention Page:

<http://www.nfpa.org/categoryList.asp?categoryID=2017&URL=Safety%20Information/Fire%20Prevention%20Week%202010>

Resources:

www.firepreventionweek.org