



Burn Awareness Week

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Prevent Burns Before They Happen! - Grade 6 / 7

Learn Not to Burn!

Burns may be caused in several ways: contact with flame, scalding liquids, or steam; hot objects; chemical; live electrical conductors; or ultraviolet. It is important that you learn about the different dangers that can cause different types of burns. Most burns can be prevented!

Match the following types of burns with their definition by writing the correct letter on each line.

1. _____ Contact 2. _____ Scald 3. _____ Electrical
4. _____ Chemical 5. _____ Flame 6. _____ Ultraviolet

- A. Burns that are produced by a hot liquid or steam such as tap water or coffee.
B. Burns that occur when a person's clothing ignites from a source such as a match, stove, candle, or other open flame.
C. Burns that result from touching hot surfaces such as ovens, heaters, or irons.
D. Burns that occur when certain substances are touched or swallowed such as drain cleaner, lye, bleach, or household cleaners.
E. Burns that result from too much exposure to the sun or sunlamps.
F. Burns that occur when someone comes in contact with frayed cords, bites into an extension cord, climbs high tension wires, or pokes something into an electrical outlet.

Remember these safety tips:

- Never leave cups of hot beverages on tables or counters where they can easily be knocked over.
- Keep electric cords of irons, toasters, coffee pots and other appliances out of reach of small children. Also, make sure the cords are not frayed or damaged.
- Always store flammable or dangerous substances in a safe place with a secure lid.
- Do not touch hot surfaces such as an oven, kettle, radiator, or portable heater.
- When running a bath always turn on the cold water first, then the hot water, and test the water before getting in the bathtub.
- Always apply a sunscreen lotion of at least 15 Sun Protection Factor (SPF).

Answers: 1. C 2. A 3. F 4. D 5. B 6. E

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