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SMART KIDS, SAFE KIDS

CHILD SAFETY ACTIVITY BOOK



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WHAT IS A D.O.?

There are only two kinds of physicians qualified to be licensed for the unlimited practice of medicine in all 50 states: those holding the M.D. degree and those who have earned the D.O., or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, degree.

Osteopathic physicians perform surgery, deliver babies, and prescribe medicine in hospitals and clinics across the nation. Whether they are family doctors or specialists, D.O.'s use all the tools of modern medicine.

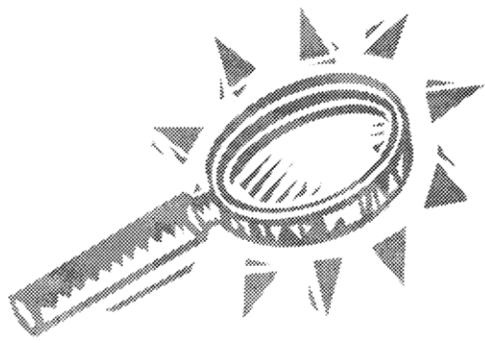
They help their patients develop attitudes and lifestyles that do not just fight illness, but prevent it. They give special attention to how the body's nerves, muscles, bones, and organs work together to influence health. And through osteopathic manipulative treatment, they can use their hands to diagnose injury and illness – and encourage the body's natural ability to heal itself.

These “extra touches” distinguish the D.O.'s whole-person philosophy of medicine. It is a century-old tradition of caring for people, not just treating symptoms.

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Word Search

HELPING PARENTS TO HELP THEIR CHILDREN **BE AWARE...NOT AFRAID**®

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Try to find these hidden words above and color their squares:

- BUDDY CODEWORD HELMET RULES
- STRANGER DANGER SAFETY SEATBELT

A NOTE TO PARENTS:

This book is designed for you and your children to work together and discuss the issues raised by the material.

- ▲ On several of the pages you will find this parent icon. These areas indicate further safety tips and discussion points to help you continue the learning.

Discuss the material as your children color each page. Answer any questions your children may have with simple, complete answers.

AN AWARE CHILD IS A SAFE AND CONFIDENT CHILD.

Use your own judgment in covering the material in this book. Younger children have shorter attention spans and generally need reinforcement to retain information.

Try to have adult supervision available to your children whenever possible. However, if you must leave your children alone, be sure they understand complete rules of safety.

You might try acting out some of the situations from this book so that your children can practice their reactions and will know what to do. Above all, don't frighten your children. Try to teach them to use good common sense so that they will not panic in situations that they view as threatening.

Try to get to know the parents of your children's friends. Before you let your children play over at that friends home make sure it is a safe environment. Some families may have far less strict safety rules than you do. If you are uncomfortable with their rules or lifestyle, have the children play at your house.

Some of the pages in this book represent potentially dangerous situations. Speak to your children frankly, without frightening them. This will help your children learn how to protect themselves if a similar situation occurs.





My Safety Information

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

*HOW TO CALL THE EMERGENCY OPERATOR: _____

**FAMILY "CODE WORD": _____

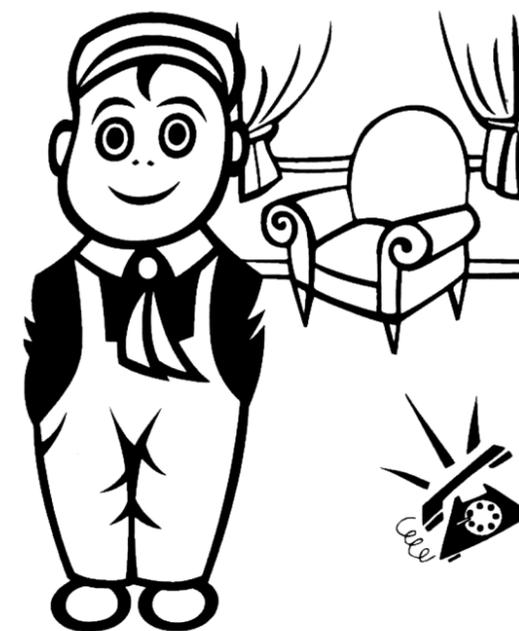
▲ HELP YOUR CHILD LEARN THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If they are too young to read or write, help them learn to match the numbers written on the page to the numbers on the phone. You could also set the numbers to a song familiar to your child such as 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star'

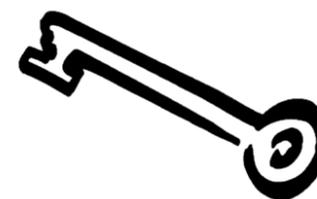
*A **codeword** is a simple, secret "family word" that a child and his family have chosen together. Only a "safe" person sent by you will know this word and will give it to your child before they ask for it.

**Please look up the correct emergency phone number for your area and write it down here and near your telephone. It is also a good idea to teach your child how to turn the telephone on and what a dial tone and busy signal sound like. Practice dialing the emergency number on page 3.

Home Alone Safety



Keep your house or apartment key out of sight. Don't wear it openly. **Never** tell anyone, even a friend, that you are home alone. **Never** go into the house if it looks like it has been broken into. Run to a neighbor or friend's house and dial the emergency number. Always lock the door behind you and don't let anyone in, no matter what they say. If they won't go away call the emergency number.

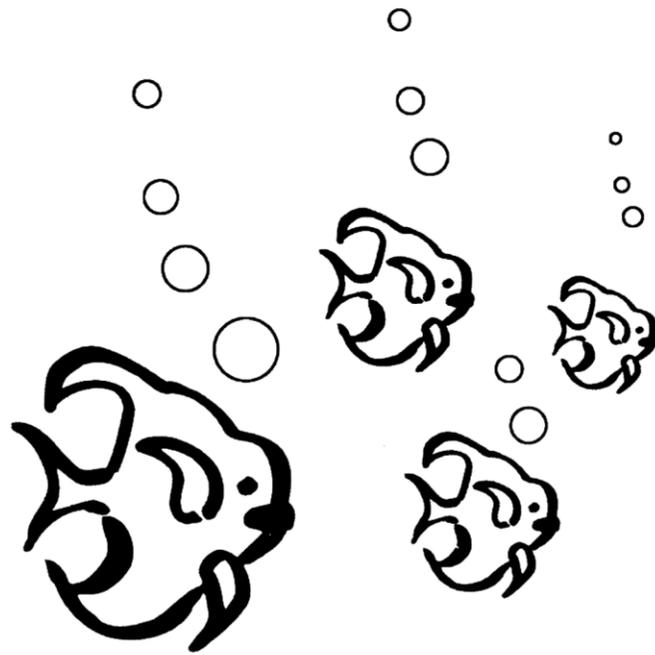


- ▲ Make a list of agreed upon rules and post them on the refrigerator along with the emergency numbers. Arrange a telephone check with your child after school to be sure that he or she has arrived safely. You might ask a relative or neighbor to make the call if you are unable.

Water Safety

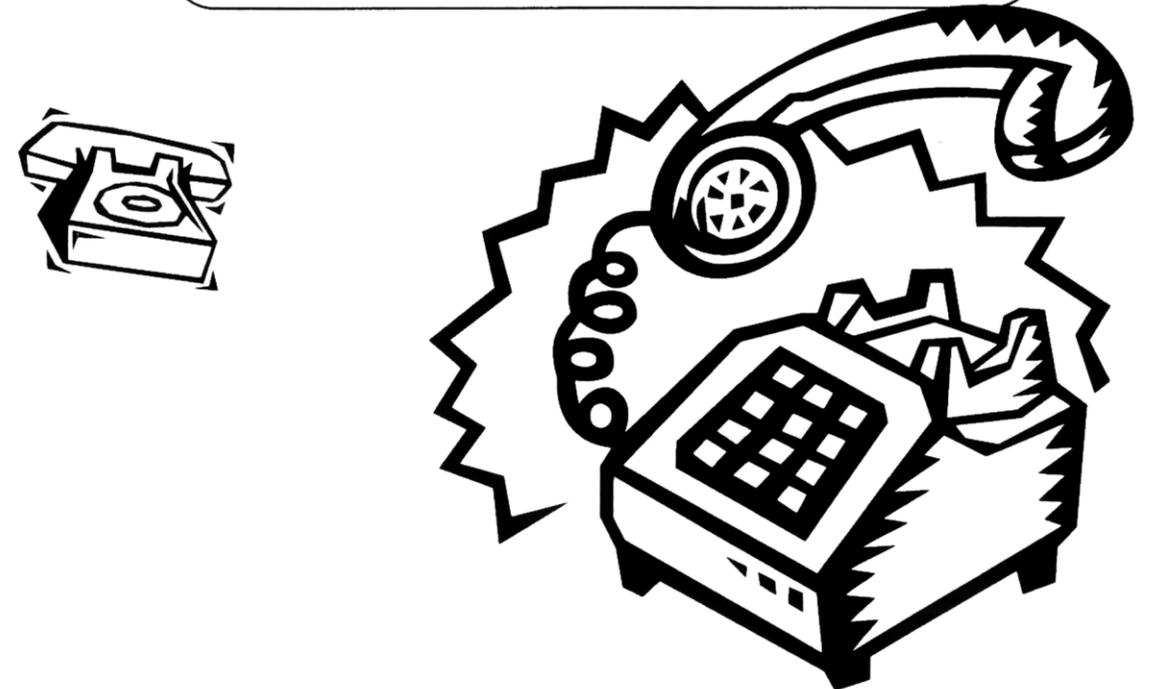
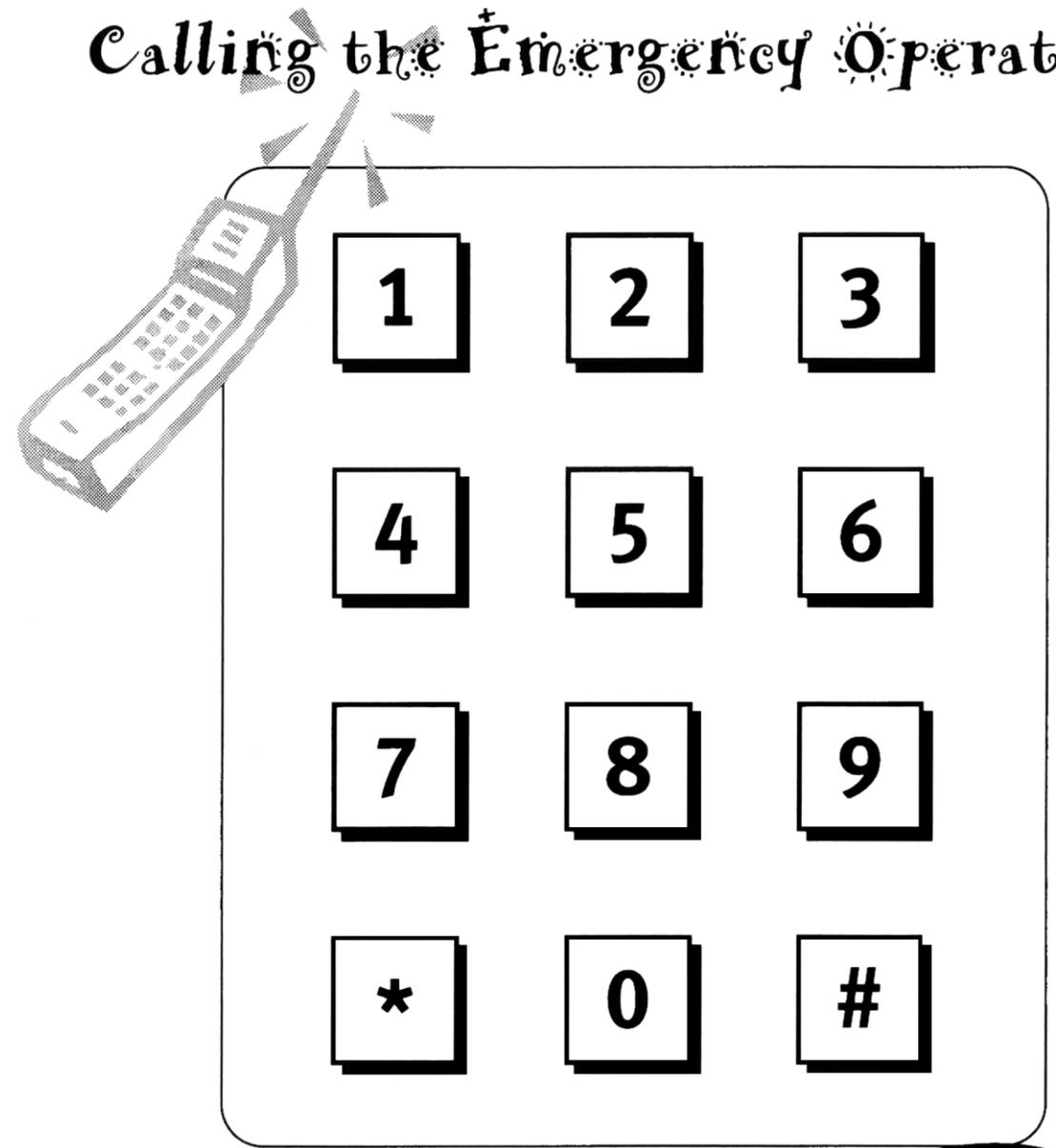


Always wear your life vest when in a boat. Never swim in water you are unfamiliar with. **Never swim alone.** Always have an adult or life-guard nearby while swimming or playing near water.

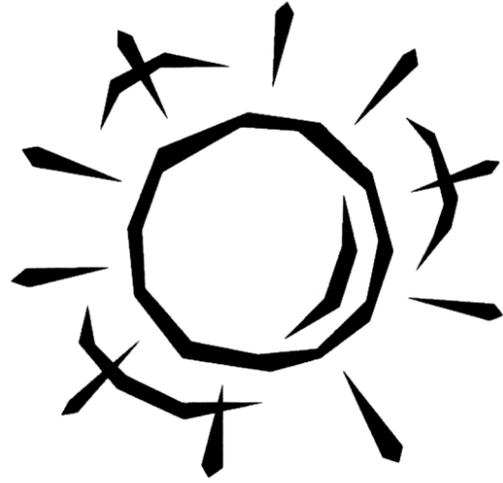


▲ Never leave your child unattended near water. Empty wading pools when not in use. A child can drown in as little as 2 inches of water.

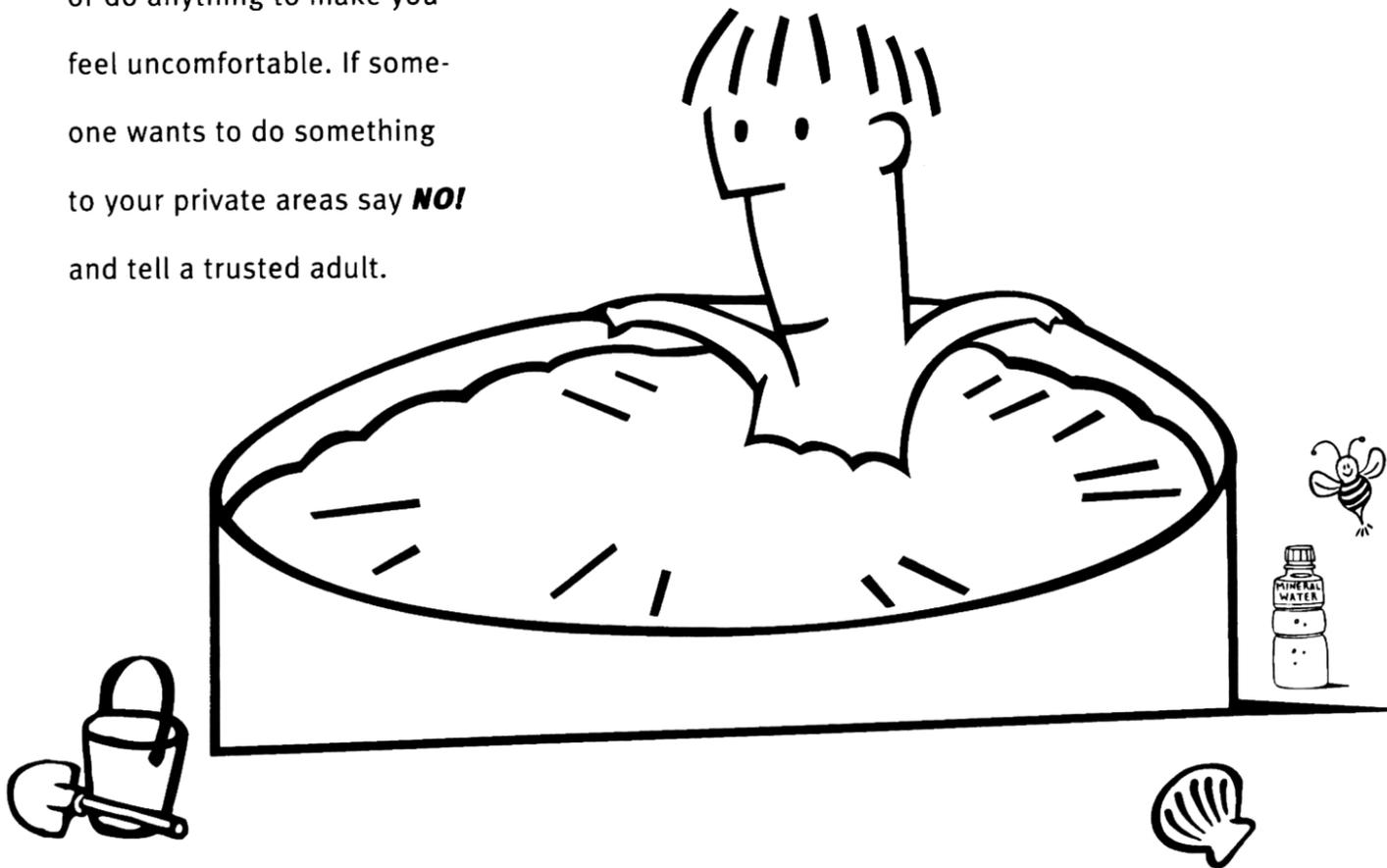
Calling the Emergency Operator



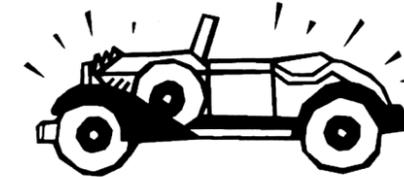
Personal Safety



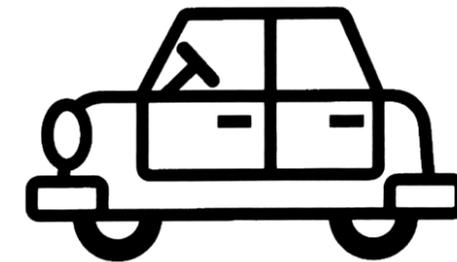
The part of your body covered by your bathing suit is private. It belongs only to you. No one should touch you there or do anything to make you feel uncomfortable. If someone wants to do something to your private areas say **NO!** and tell a trusted adult.



Make it Click



Before you go anywhere in the car **always buckle up.** No matter what kind of car or how short the ride.

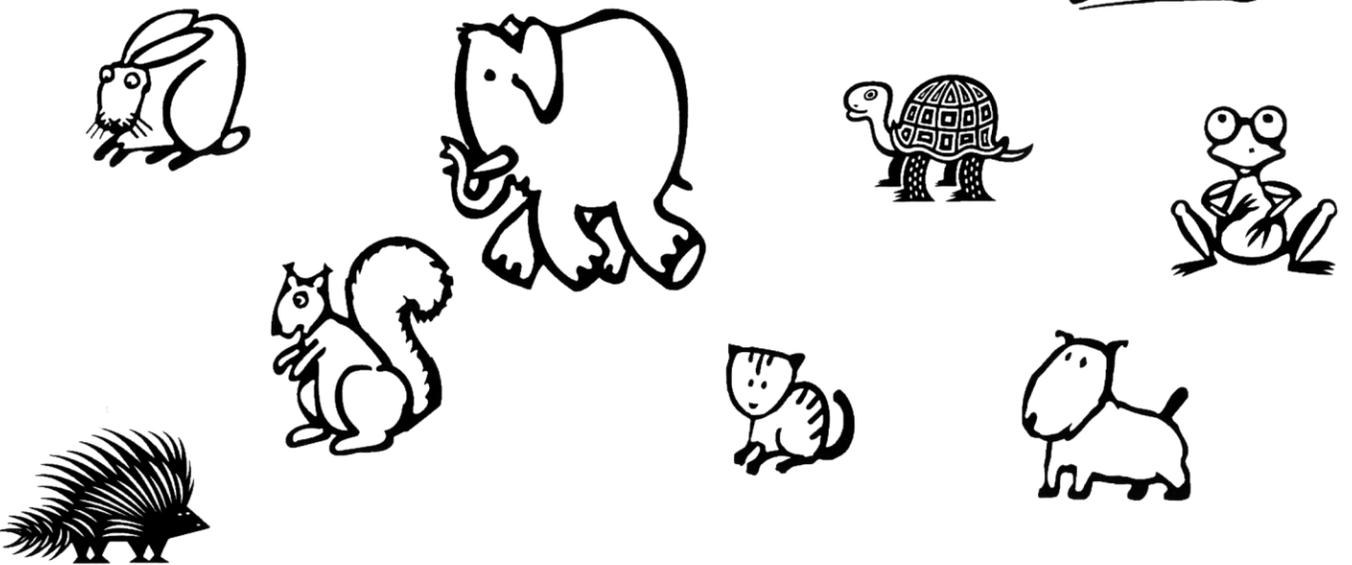


- ▲ Your children watch what you do. So wear your seat belt every time you ride.
- All children twelve and under should sit in the back seat.
- Children between 40-80 pounds and less than 4ft.9in. should ride in a booster seat.

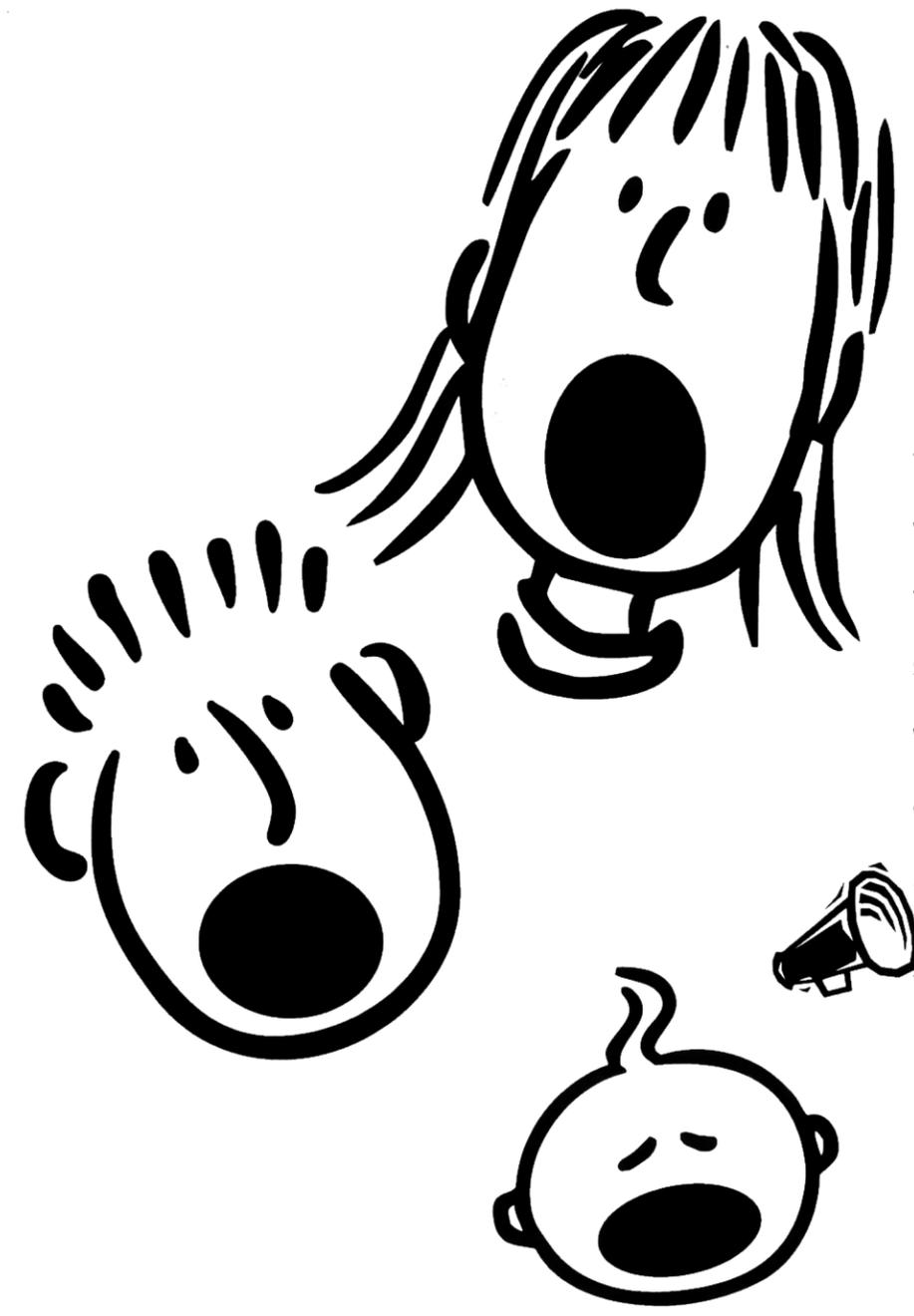
Animal Safety



Never go near an animal you don't know. **Always ask** the animal's owner if it is ok to pet the animal.



Sometimes you just have to **scream!**



If someone is following you, tries to grab you or makes you feel uncomfortable try to break free and run to a safe place. If this doesn't work **SCREAM!** Tell a trusted adult what happened.



▲ Teach your child to kick and claw and make as much noise as possible to attract attention of safe adults.

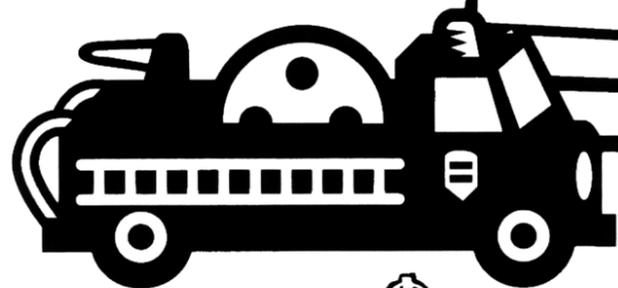
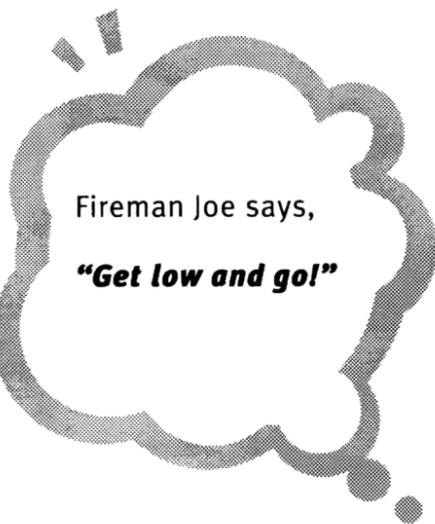


Fire Safety

Adults you can trust!



Practice fire safety at home with your family and find a safe place to meet outside.



▲ PLAN A SAFE ROUTE OUT OF YOUR HOUSE IN CASE OF A FIRE.

Practice crawling the route. Plan a safe place to meet outside. Teach your child not to hide under a bed or in a closet. It is important to be in a place where a fireman can find you.

Be sure to have working smoke detectors on every floor of your home. Change the batteries twice a year, EVEN if they appear to still function.

Parents

A Police Officer 

A Teacher 

A Store Clerk with Name Badge 

A Fireman 

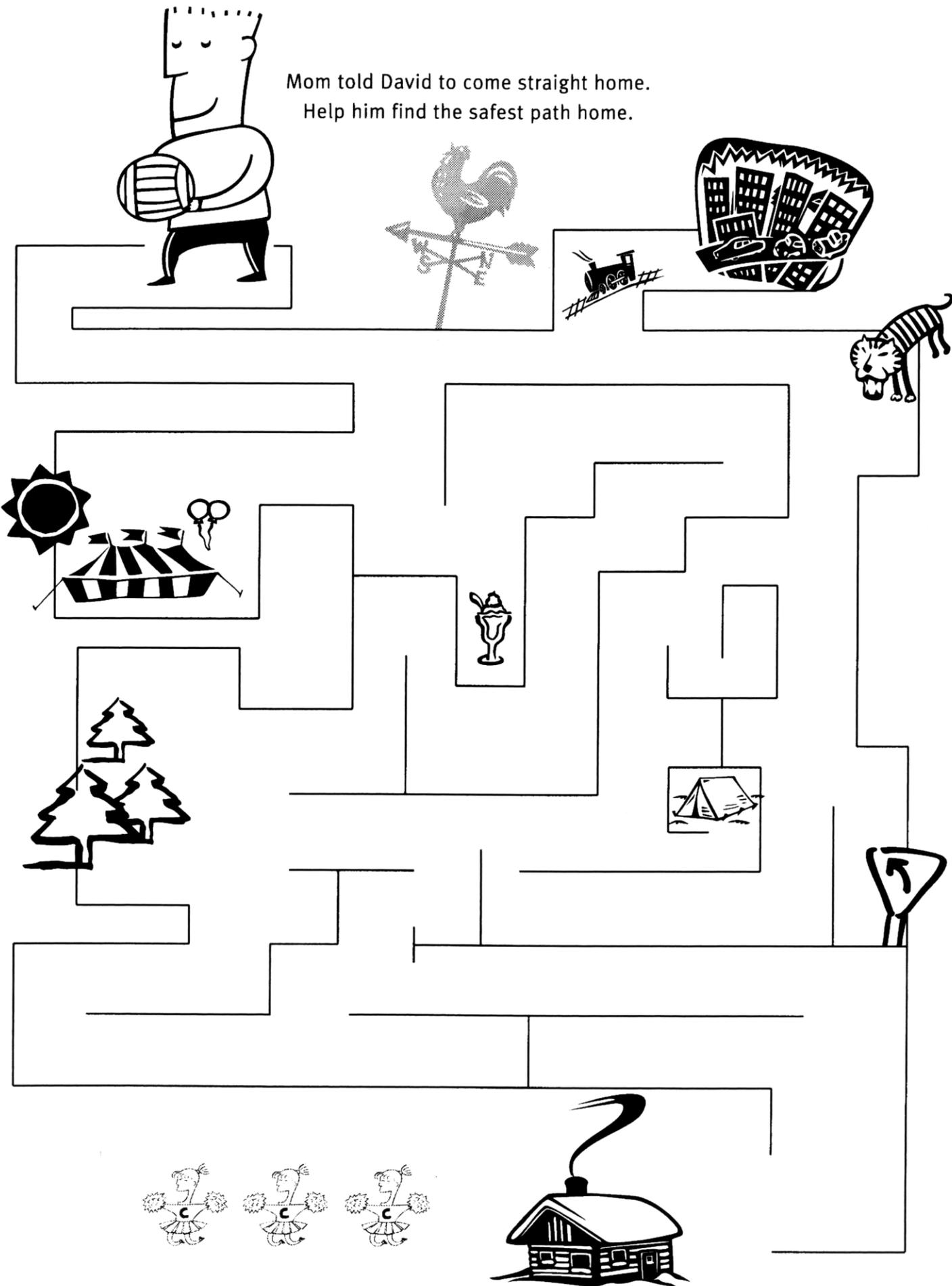
A Mother with Children 

If someone makes you feel uncomfortable or tries to make you do something you don't want to do, **tell a trusted adult.** Draw or paste a picture of these trusted adults in each bubble.

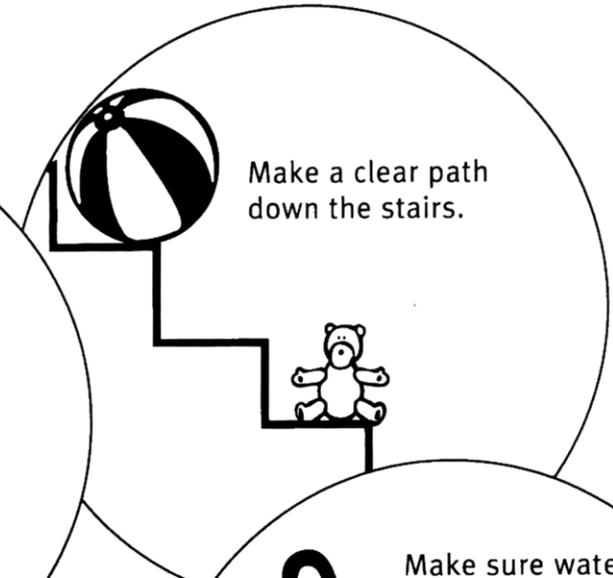
Safety at Home



Mom told David to come straight home.
Help him find the safest path home.



Know your emergency number.



Make a clear path down the stairs.



Never play with electrical outlets.



Make sure water is not too hot.



Stay away from the stove.

- ▲ Move all poisons and cleaning products out of reach.
- Turn the temperature on your hot water heater down a few degrees to avoid scalding burns.
- Cover any unused outlets.
- Keep pot handles turned in and stay near a hot stove at all times while cooking.



internet Safety

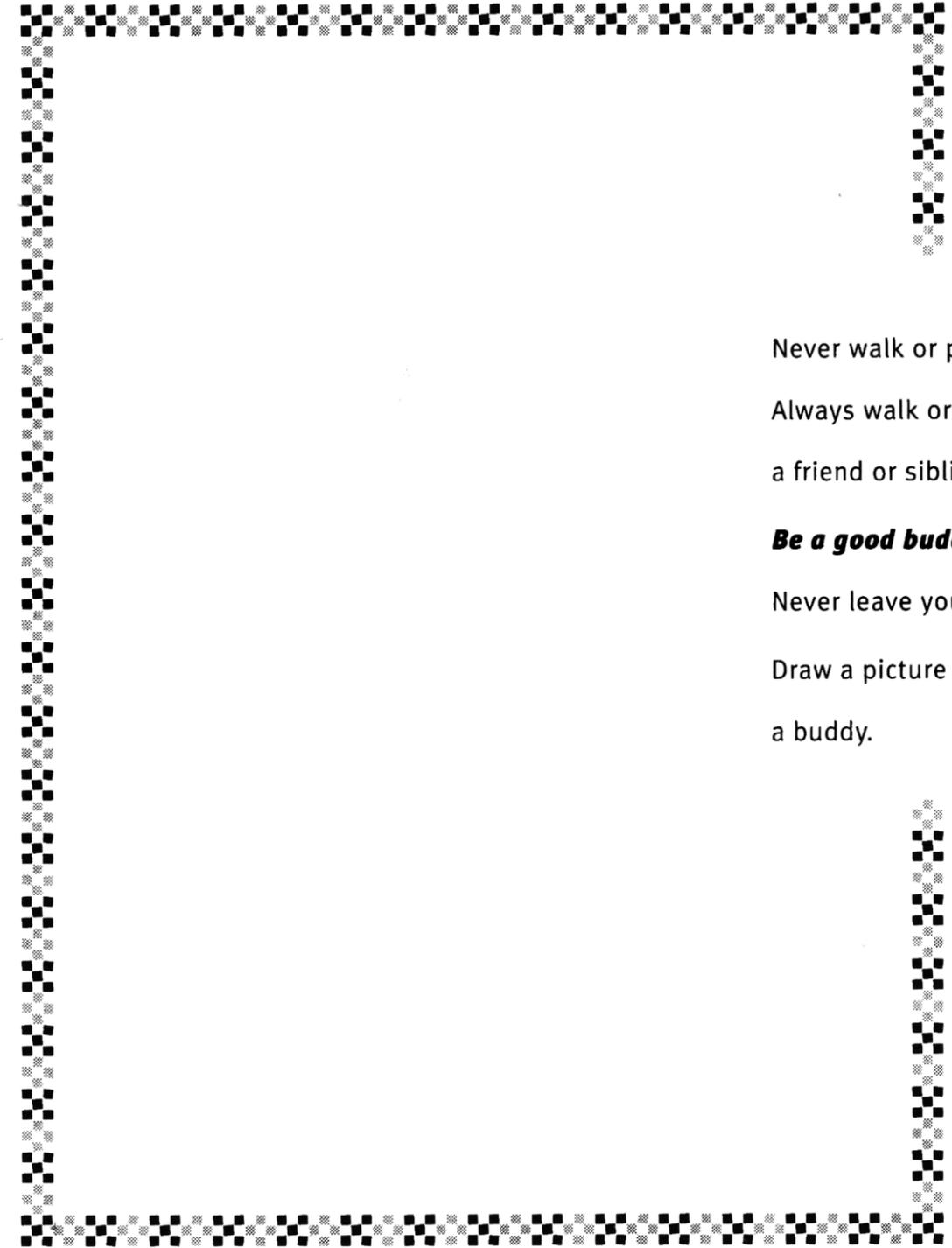


If something you see makes you feel uncomfortable, hit the back button. Never give out your personal information on the computer. Always use a secret or made-up name. If someone pressures you to give them your information, say **NO!** and tell a trusted adult.



▲ It is always good idea to install protective software on your computer to limit which web sites your child can visit. Keep the computer in a public area of your home so you can supervise the web sites your child is visiting.

Use the Buddy System



Never walk or play alone.
Always walk or play with a friend or sibling.
Be a good buddy.
Never leave your friend alone.
Draw a picture of you and a buddy.

▲ Always know where your children are going and who they are going to be with. If plans change have your child call and tell you the new plans. If possible, have your child carry change for an emergency phone call.



Crossing the Street

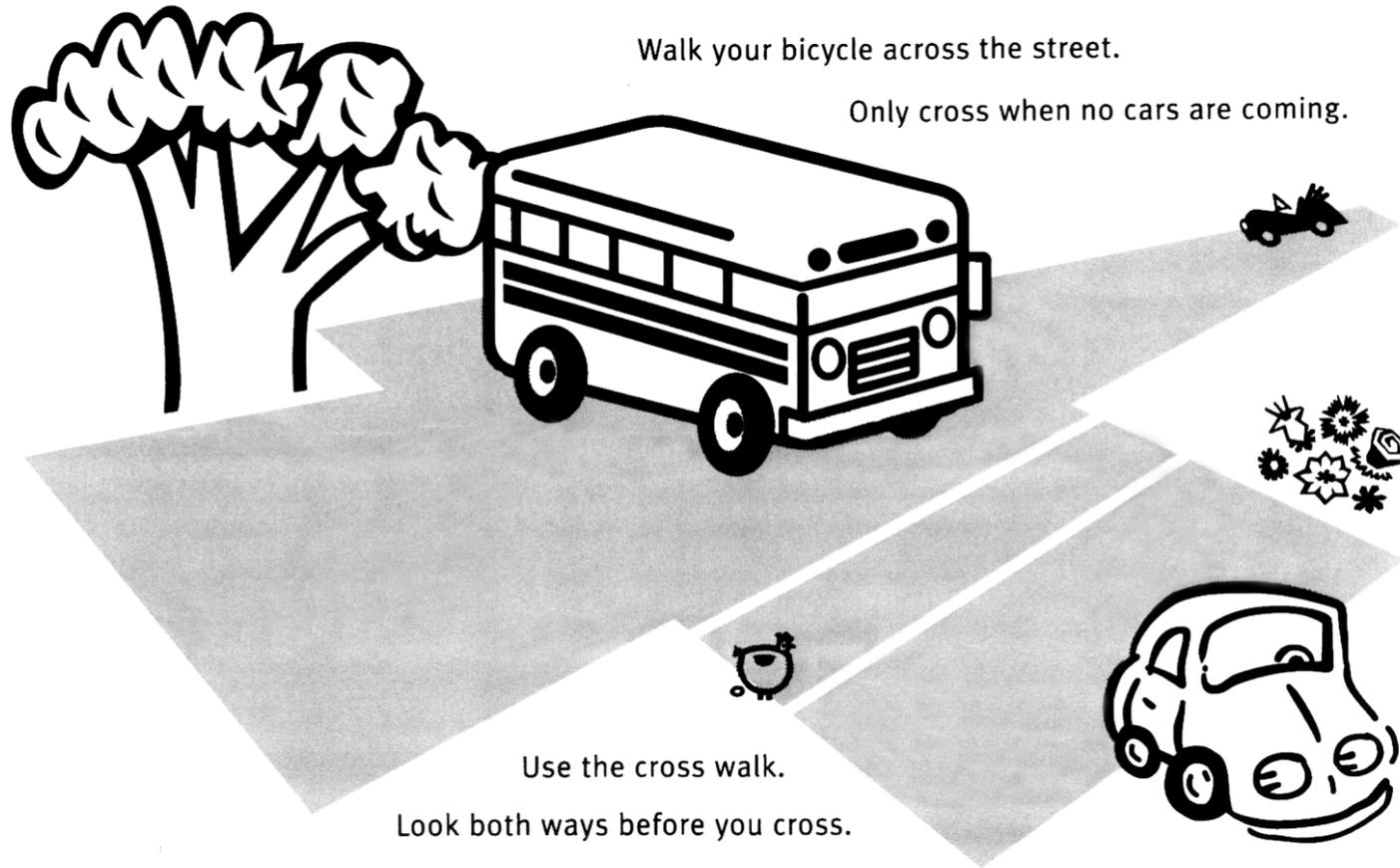


Circle the words that tell us it is safe to cross the street.



Walk your bicycle across the street.

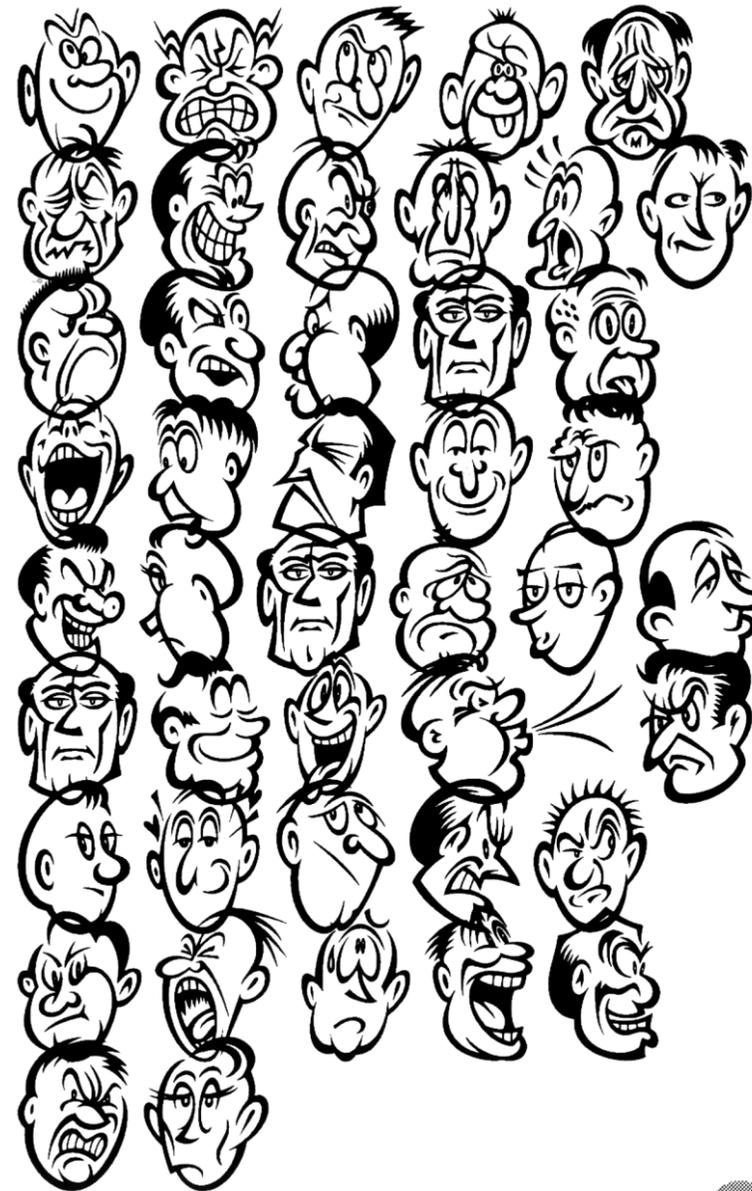
Only cross when no cars are coming.



Use the cross walk.
Look both ways before you cross.

▲ The same rules should apply in parking lots. Hold small children's hands while walking in parking lots and crossing the street.

What does a stranger look like?



Never Talk To Strangers!

You cannot tell the difference between a "safe person" and a "Danger Stranger"!

Adults should never ask children for help. When an adult needs help they should ask another adult.

Children should never take anything from a stranger.

If someone tries to give you something, say **NO!** and get away to a safe place. Tell a trusted adult.



▲ A STRANGER IS ANYONE YOUR CHILD DOESN'T KNOW

It can be the scary man in black, the woman next door or the new kid down the street.

