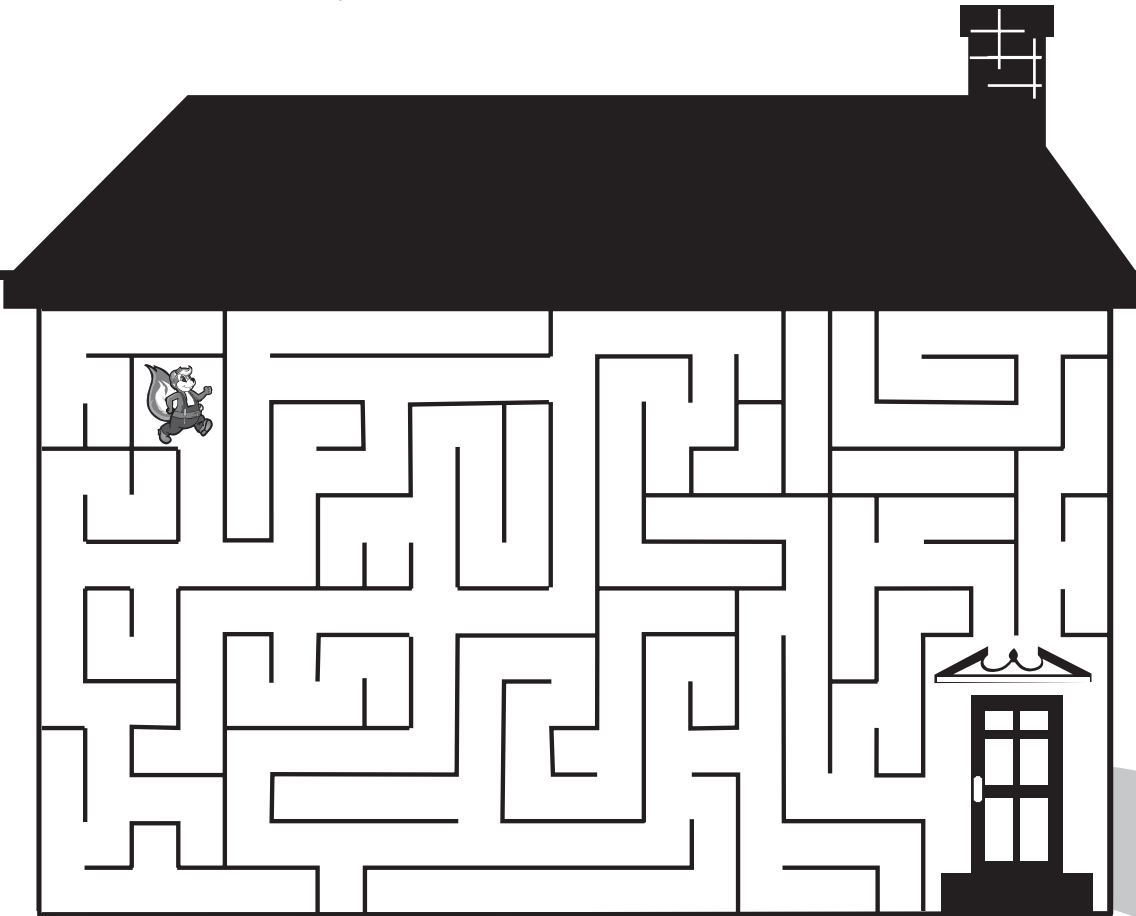


AN A-MAZE-ING ESCAPE!

Oh no! Sniffy was finishing his homework in his room when he smelled a rotten-egg-like odor. Sniffy knows that the smell of rotten eggs can be a sign of a natural gas or propane leak.

He also knows he needs to leave his house right away and get help from a neighbor. Help Sniffy find his way outside quickly! (Remember, he should not touch or use anything electric on his way out—not even a telephone or light switch!)



Now that Sniffy's safely outside (thanks to you!), he needs to ask a neighbor for help. Normally, he would tell his mom and dad, but they're walking the dog. Which neighbor should he ask?

- His best friend Sammy the Skunk.
- His younger cousin, Rhonda the Raccoon.
- Mr. Smarts, a grown-up who lives across the street.

What should he ask his neighbor to do?

- Come back home with him to help him find the leak.
- Call his gas company or 9-1-1.
- Get him something to eat! He's starving!

When can Sniffy go back inside his house?

- Right away! He's got homework to finish.
- The minute the gas company arrives. He'll follow the inspectors inside, show them around and help them find the leak.
- Only after someone from the gas company tells him it's safe to return.

Sniffy knows that gas leaks can also happen outdoors.

What might he see near an outdoor gas leak?

- Blowing dirt, water with bubbles in it, or an area of dead leaves and plants surrounded by live ones.
- Smoke rising from the ground.
- A rainbow.



STAY IN STEP WITH SNIFFY AND GAS SAFETY

You already know the signs of a natural gas or propane leak, but do you know what to do if you ever smell, see or hear a leak at home or school? Just follow the steps below....

1. If you EVER smell, see or hear a gas leak, tell a grown-up (like your mom or dad, or your teacher).
2. Leave the area right away. Do not touch or use anything electric on your way out, not even a telephone or light switch.
3. If you're alone, find an adult neighbor you know and tell him or her to call your local gas company or 9-1-1.
4. DO NOT go back to the place where you detected a leak until someone from the gas company tells you it is safe to do so.



Now that you know what to do, let's test you! First, fold this piece of paper along the dotted line, so only this bottom part is showing. Now, number the steps below in order, starting with the first thing you should do if you ever smell, see or hear a gas leak.

___ Leave the area right away.

___ Wait until someone from the gas company tells you it is safe to return to your home or school.

___ Find an adult neighbor and tell him or her to call your local gas company or 9-1-1.

___ Tell a grown up that you smell, see or hear a gas leak.