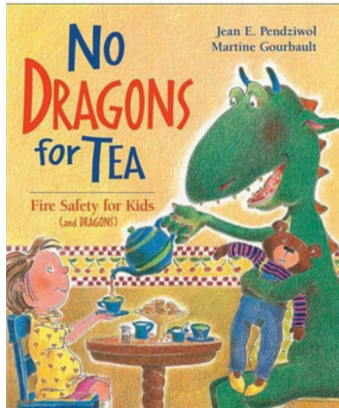


# FIRE SAFETY STORY TIME

## NO DRAGONS FOR TEA

by Jean E. Pendziwol



### OBJECTIVE:

The story is great for children ages 3–8 years and works well for a story time in library or schools. Students will leave story time able to name some fire safety rules. Plan for 30–45 minutes for activities plus snacks and take-home resources if needed. Invite the local fire department to join as special guests and presenters.

### STANDARDS:

RI.K.1. With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.

RF.K.2. Recognize and produce rhyming words.

Activity	Description
<b>Welcome</b> (2-3min.)	Welcome everyone and introduce the special guests.
<b>Storytime</b> (7-10min.)	The book is rhyming, and some of the older listeners may be able to finish the second rhyme if you pause for them. Use the Q&A sheet to help ask questions during or after reading.
<b>Movement Song</b> (3 min.)	Choose a song that encourages movement. "Hurry, Hurry Drive the Firetruck" is a fun song because they can imagine steering a firetruck, climbing ladders, and spraying water from hose.
<b>Firefighter Show and Tell</b> (15-20min.)	A show-and-tell allows the group to see the firefighter in plain clothes, then add gear one piece at a time. This helps them to connect the firefighter in full gear to the friendly community helper and reduce fear if seen in an emergency. Encourage families to ask questions and use the presenter's name, "Firefighter ____." When the firefighter is fully geared, offer children a chance to give them a high-five.

<p><b>Fire Safety Rules Review (3-5min.)</b></p>	<p>Wrap up activities with this quick safety rules review. At the end of the book is "The Dragon's Fire-Safety Rhyme." You can read this with the children and ask questions for a review. Use this time to make your main take-away very clear so everyone leaves story time having memorized at least one rule. "Have a meeting place." or "Stay low and go." or "Get out and stay out."</p>
<p><b>Crafts &amp; Take-Home Activities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are endless ideas for themed crafts around fire safety or firefighters. Check out: <a href="https://pinterest.com/nfpa">pinterest.com/nfpa</a></li> <li>• Resources for teacher printables: <a href="https://sparky.org/activities">https://sparky.org/activities</a> and <a href="https://sparkyschoolhouse.org/for-educators/">https://sparkyschoolhouse.org/for-educators/</a></li> <li>• Vocabulary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Fire Safety Opposites: hot/cold, dry/wet, open/close, quiet/loud, safe/dangerous, go/stop, up/down, scared/happy.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Have home fire safety literature available to bring home.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Snacks</b></p>	<p>If you plan to include snacks, it can be fun to organize them like the story's tea party. This may include foods (cookies, tea biscuits, fruit, or veggies) and drinks (caffeine-free tea, lemonade, water, or juice).</p>



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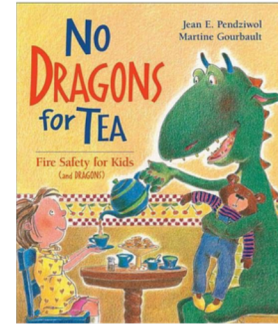
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# FIRE SAFETY Q&A

## NO DRAGONS FOR TEA

Answer the following questions after reading the book, No Dragons for Tea by Jean E. Pendziwol. This book is great for children ages 3-6 years.



1. Do you think it was a good idea for the girl to have a tea party with a dragon?

Answers may vary.

2. What did the girl say the smoke alarm ring means?

"The smoke alarm means "Get out fast!"

3. Why did the girl crawl to get out? Why did the dragon hide under the rug?

The girl crawls to stay below any smoke that fire may cause. The dragon hid because it was scared. The best way to get out fast is to "stay low and go!"

4. Did the family have a meeting place in their home fire escape plan?

Yes. The family met by the tree.

5. Why didn't the dragon want to stay at the tree? Was this a safe choice?

The dragon remembered its teddy bear inside the house. It's never safe to go into a burning building. Remember, "Don't ever go back - that just will not do. We can get a new bear, but we can't replace you."

6. What number do we call in an emergency?

You can call or text 9-1-1.

7. What important information will they need?

Full street address.

8. Can you remember your home address?

Answers may vary.

9. How did the firefighters stop the house fire?

The fire crew drove the firetruck quickly. They wore boots, helmets, and masks to protect themselves. They used a hose to spray water on the fire.

10. When is it okay to go into the house again after a fire?

We can only go in again after the firefighters say it is safe.

11. What are some fire safety rules?

Answers may vary: Practice fire drills. Check smoke alarms. Know your address. When smoke alarms go off, "Stay low and go!" or "Get out fast!" Never play with matches. Stay away from hot things. Never hide if there is a fire. If your clothes are on fire, "Stop, drop, and roll." Call/text 9-1-1 in an emergency. Firefighters are community helpers.

12. What are your steps for a home fire escape plan? Does your family have a place to meet?

Answers may vary.