

Suggested MCAS Practice Questions

1. You have been given a community service project, plan a fire safety class for third grade students. In a well-developed composition, suggest what needs to be discussed with third grade students so that they understand the importance of fire safety, and what skills they should know that will help them stay safe.
2. Think about what you would need to prepare a home escape plan. Would you need a chart? Would you need to practice? Write a story about someone using a home escape plan. Include all the components that a good escape plan would have.
3. Think about a time when you learned how to stay safe in the event of a fire in your home or school. Write a story about that time. Give the reader enough detail to show what happened and what you learned.
4. Learning what to do in an emergency is an important part of growing up and becoming more independent. Think about what you know about emergencies and how to handle them. Describe an emergency situation involving fire, and provide, in detail, at least three solutions to the situation.
5. Your parents have decided to allow you to stay home alone for two hours after school. What safety precautions do you need to remember when being alone in the house? Describe what you need to know in detail.
6. Your little cousin is coming to live with you for a few months. Your mom has talked about how the house is not child proof. What does she mean by this and describe what needs to be done to “child proof” your home.
7. Heroism can mean different things to different people. From examples you have heard or seen, describe why some people call firefighters heroes. What characteristics do these people have and why would they be considered heroes to many people.