



BOOK TITLE: Firefighters to the Rescue!
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SUMMARY OF BOOK: This book describes the day of a firefighter. You can see where a firefighter lives and what she or he does when at the fire station. The book also describes what firefighters wear and how they put out the fires to save people, pets, and houses.

***BEFORE READING** (Ask questions and use what the child already knows to add to the discussion, assisting the child in understanding and enjoying the book):

Take a “picture walk” through the book. Look at the pictures and talk about what is happening without reading the words. You can ask your child questions as you do this, such as “Have you ever seen a fire engine?” or “Have you ever heard the siren on a fire engine?”

DURING READING (ask these questions about what is happening):

1. Do you think the firefighter will save Ben?
2. Why does the firefighter wear special clothes?
3. Do you think they will be able to put out the fire?

AFTER READING (activity to extend book experience):

Try to connect this book to your child’s life and experiences.

1. Visit a fire station and talk with the firefighters there.
2. With your family, develop a plan for getting out of the house safely in case of a

fire or other emergency. (Caution: Some children find this idea very scary. You know your own child, so consider this as you decide whether to do this activity. It is important to have a plan, but your child may need to be a little older to actively participate in the planning.)

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