

Stumper Stories (5)

1. Jed and Lani smelled smoke in the next room as they were playing chess in Lani's room one rainy day. When they opened the bedroom door, billows of smoke filled the hallway and spilled into Lani's room. Jed started out into the hall, but Lani put her hand on his shoulder and indicated that they should close the door and seal around the edges with sheets to keep the smoke out. Then she said, "We should try to get out through the window." Jed thought Lani was just wasting time, "I want to get out NOW!" he said.

What is the risk?	What should they do?	Who is at risk?	What would you have done to avoid this danger?

2. Luis had taken a note down to the office for his teacher, Mr. Thomas, and was getting a drink of water at the fountain when he heard the alarm sound. He knew it meant either a fire drill or the real thing. He'd been on plenty of fire drills with his class, but this was new situation for him. He was separated from his class, and Mr. Thomas was way over on the other side of the building.

What is the risk?	What should Luis do?	Who is at risk?	What would you have done to avoid this danger?

3. Sally was babysitting for five-year old twins. The day was cold and damp so the afternoon plan was to play cards and have popcorn and hot chocolate. Sally needed to decide where to play cards, knowing that the warmest spot n the house was close to the word-burning stove.

What is the risk?	What should Sally do?	Who is at risk?	What would you have done to avoid this danger?

4. It was summer vacation and the girls had a full week to visit Grandpa's farm. The old farmhouse was at least 150 years old and was full of mysterious corners and places to explore. Three days into their visit, the girls had created a wonderful playhouse hidden in the attic. On the fourth day, the whole attic began to fill with smoke.

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5. Tray is alone at home, waiting for her mom to come home from work, when the smoke alarm in the hall goes off.

What is the risk?	What should Tray do?	Who is at risk?	What would you have done to avoid this danger?