**Party Games** | Make it fun with activities for the kids.

**BUCKET BRIGADE**

**What you need:**
- Lots of water balloons (these are not regular balloons — they are thin balloons)
- Three buckets (two marked “fire bucket” and one to hold all the balloons)
- An even number of friends (the more the better)

**What to do:**
1. Make two teams — have the same number of kids on each team.
2. Place all the filled water balloons in a bucket at the beginning of your bucket brigade.
3. Place an empty “fire bucket” for each team at the end of the bucket brigade.
4. Now it’s race time. Have each team pass a balloon to the next person in line.
5. The players nearest the “fire bucket” will bounce the balloon in the bucket letting all the water out of the balloon. The team with the most water in their “fire bucket” wins the game. Whew! What a way to put out a fire. Make the game harder by moving team members apart so the balloon is tossed to the next player.

*Note to Grown-ups:* Uninflated balloons can be a choking hazard for children. Make sure adults fill the balloons and throw away any pieces once the game is over. Adult supervision is recommended.

**FIREFIGHTER CHALLENGE**

**What you need:**
- Stopwatch
- Raincoat and Hat (to simulate turn out gear)
- Coiled Garden Hose
- Rubber Mallet
- Water Balloons (one for each participant)
- Mannequin (make by stuffing clothes with newspaper)

**What to do:**
1. Set up obstacle course. **SAMPLE COURSE:** In order, each child carries a shoulder load of hose, climbs to the top of a picnic table or other safe, stationary platform, jumps down, drops the hose and goes into a “stop, drop and roll” movement. They can then crawl through a “tunnel” made of hula hoops, sonar tubes, etc., pick up a rubber mallet and pop a water balloon and finally “make the rescue” by dragging a mannequin to the finish line. These are just ideas — make up your own course based on what’s available.
2. Have each child run the course individually in “gear.” Have a timekeeper to record results. At the end of the course everyone receives a badge or ribbon for bravery!

**PIN THE BADGE ON SPARKY**

**What to do:**
1. Print Sparky’s Party Badges (in this kit) on card stock and cut out.
2. Put two-way sticky tape on the back of each badge.
3. Print out the Sparky Poster (also in this kit) and tape to a wall.
4. Blindfold each player in turn, hand them a badge, then spin ‘round and ‘round and see where it sticks!

**FIRE ENGINE TIRE CRAFT**

**What you need:**
- Small fire engine toys with wheels that move
- White paper
- Red and yellow paint
- Styrofoam meat trays or cookie sheets

**What to do:**
1. Cover the work area.
2. Pour paint in meat trays or cookie sheets.
3. Place a few fire trucks in each paint tray. Children “drive” the trucks through the paint and then drive them onto the paper.

**Note:** Not much paint is actually used so these will dry fairly quickly!
fire department helicopter

fire boat

aerial ladder truck

fire engine

rescue ambulance

Have fun coloring!

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Sparky® wants you to know 2 ways out of every room in your home in case of a fire.

Try to find 2 ways out of this maze!

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FIRE-SAFE CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS
1. Food cooked in a should be opened slowly.
5. Stay “” feet away from the stove when grown-ups are cooking.
7. Keep curtains away from the
3. Adults should wear tight-fitting when cooking.
9. Stop, drop and roll if your clothes catch fire.
11. Give a space space.

DOWN
3. If there is a in your home, get OUT and STAY out!
6. Use a barbecue only outdoors.
8. Cool a burn with cool for 3 to 5 minutes.
10. Make sure there are no under carpets.
13. Turn all handles toward the back.

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MEMORY MATCH Front | Use card stock or regular paper to make your deck.

You'll use both sides of the paper to make these. Print the card front, then on the reverse side of the paper print the card back (on next page).
GAME PLAY: Face all the cards "Sparky-side up." Try to find a matching pair by turning over 2 cards. Flip the cards back over and go again. Play until you have 9 matching sets. Play solo or take turns against a buddy. Make a match, go again!
Cootie Catcher

DIRECTIONS:

1. Cut out the colored square.
2. Turn the colored side down (white side up) and fold the paper in half so you have a triangle.
3. Unfold it and refold it the other way.
4. Place your unfolded cootie catcher colored side down and fold the corners to the center, one by one.
5. Flip the square over, so that you see the fortune side, then fold the four tips into the center.
6. Now fold your square in half into two rectangles.
7. Then unfold it and fold it in half into two rectangles the other way.
8. With the Sparky side up, slip your thumbs and pointer finger under the four flaps.

GAME PLAY: Find a friend and ask them to pick a color on one of the flaps. Moving the flaps in and out and side to side in time with the letters, spell out the word they have chosen. Open the Cootie Catcher to show the numbers and ask them to pick one. Count out the number they have chosen by moving the flaps in and out and side to side. Ask them to pick another number and count it out the same way. Now ask them to pick a third number and show them their Sparky-safe message on the inside flap.

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Party Badge

Kids can be part of Sparky’s team. Print on sticker paper or card stock and cut out badges. Add kids’ names and you’re ready to go.