

# Firefighters

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## Vocabulary Word Unscramble

Unscramble the words, using the text boxes to help you.

company	apartment	volunteer	rescued	loudspeaker
equipment	firefighters	dispatcher	official	lightning
prevention	electrical	hydrant	positions	chemicals

1. vtpoeinrne \_\_\_\_\_
2. ascilecmh \_\_\_\_\_
3. cudrees \_\_\_\_\_
4. ndhtrya \_\_\_\_\_
5. clielceart \_\_\_\_\_
6. aycmnop \_\_\_\_\_
7. iinstspoo \_\_\_\_\_
8. gngitih \_\_\_\_\_
9. rhgrsteeiffi \_\_\_\_\_
10. pmnteuqei \_\_\_\_\_
11. euepolsradk \_\_\_\_\_
12. letrenvou \_\_\_\_\_
13. mrtanpeta \_\_\_\_\_
14. iiolacff \_\_\_\_\_
15. apdhrescit \_\_\_\_\_



Word Search Puzzle

Find the words.

j g e m e r g e n c y q v w n  
 b f x d o u s e d i r t h g p  
 u q p w v h t d a m a g e d i  
 i n l p a z b d g r u b b l e  
 l c o n t r o l h v u a n p r  
 d g s r e s c u e d x h w j q  
 o q i p w i r s e n g i n e s  
 z p o i s o n o u s v a u x z  
 e f n j u h x d a p g i w n q  
 r n w d i s p a t c h e r v u  
 v a m o u n t s z o d t x h n  
 j f g i q p a r a c h u t e w

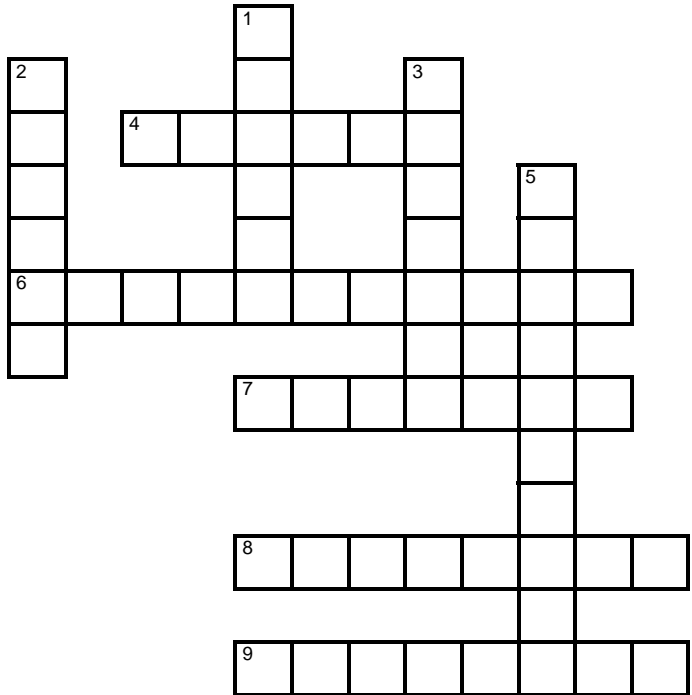


amounts	damaged	emergency	gear	poisonous
bulldozer	dispatcher	engines	parachute	reward
control	doused	explosion	pier	rubble

**Crossword Puzzle**

Complete the puzzle.

Word Bank	
ordered	
alerts	
message	
loudspeaker	
official	
breeze	
hydrants	
prevention	
rubble	



**Across**

- 4. A \_\_\_\_\_ has blown a towel up into the flame of a hot stove.
- 6. A \_\_\_\_\_ blares out the address of the fire and the firefighters go into action.
- 7. Firefighters are \_\_\_\_\_ to search the building to make sure no one is inside.
- 8. The fire chief makes notes for his \_\_\_\_\_ report about the fire.
- 9. Fire hoses carry water from the fire \_\_\_\_\_.

**Down**

- 1. A phone call \_\_\_\_\_ the fire-dispatch-center.
- 2. Firefighters clean up the \_\_\_\_\_ after the fire is out.
- 3. Volunteer firefighters get the \_\_\_\_\_ on their beepers from the dispatcher.
- 5. Firefighters teach people fire \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Comprehension**

**Please answer the questions in complete sentences.**

1. What could cause a fire in an apartment building? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Why might firefighters search a burning apartment building? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. How does an aerial ladder help firefighters? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Why would firefighters break holes in the windows and roof of a burning building? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. How do the pumps in the fire trucks help firefighters? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. What do city firefighters do between alarms while they are on duty? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. How do firefighters in the country get messages from the fire-dispatch center? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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8. How are volunteer firefighters different from city firefighters? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. What do volunteer firefighters use when there isn't a fire hydrant to supply water? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10. What might cause a fire in the forest? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

11. How are forest fires spotted and reported? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

12. What do firefighters do to fight a forest fire? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

13. Why are chemicals sprayed on a forest fire? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

14. How are fireboats able to put out fires on the waterfront? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### It's a Quiz

Read each of the following. Circle true or false.

1. Dispatchers alert firefighters when there is a fire.  
**true          false**
2. Volunteer firefighters live at the firehouse when they are on duty.  
**true          false**
3. Planes are used to spray chemicals to smother the flames in forest fires.  
**true          false**
4. Smoke jumpers jump from propeller planes and parachute down to put out fires in apartment buildings.  
**true          false**
5. Fire chiefs call the dispatch center for more equipment and firefighters when the fire is in danger of spreading.  
**true          false**
6. Fire hoses are used to carry water from fire hydrants.  
**true          false**
7. Central fire-dispatch centers are used for several towns in the country.  
**true          false**
8. Fire dispatchers teach people about fire prevention when they are on duty.  
**true          false**
9. Fireboats patrol the waters and are on alert for fires.  
**true          false**



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### Answers

Page 1:

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|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. prevention | 6. company      | 11. loudspeaker |
| 2. chemicals  | 7. positions    | 12. volunteer   |
| 3. rescued    | 8. lightning    | 13. apartment   |
| 4. hydrant    | 9. firefighters | 14. official    |
| 5. electrical | 10. equipment   | 15. dispatcher  |

Page 2: Answers not needed

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Across: 4. breeze, 6. loudspeaker, 7. ordered, 8. official, 9. hydrants.

Down: 1. alerts, 2. rubble, 3. message, 5. prevention.

Pages 4-5:

1. A fire could begin from a stove, a candle, a broken heater or electrical wire, etc. (accept any reasonable response).
2. Firefighters are ordered to search a burning building to make sure no one is still inside.
3. Firefighters use aerial ladders to take them to the floors above the fire.
4. Firefighters break holes in the windows and roofs of buildings to let out poisonous gases, heat, and smoke before they can cause an explosion.
5. The pumps in the fire trucks control the water pressure and push the water up through the discharge hoses.
6. Between alarms, city firefighters practice, train, and teach people fire prevention.
7. The dispatcher calls the volunteer firefighters in the country. They get messages on their pagers or phones.
8. Volunteer firefighters are different from city firefighters because they do not live at the firehouse, and they leave their jobs and homes to answer fire alarms.
9. Volunteer firefighters use pumper trucks and tanker trucks when there isn't a fire hydrant.
10. Lightning, a burning cigarette, or an improperly doused campfire could cause the forest fire (accept any reasonable response).
11. A lookout is located in a fire tower. When the lookout spots a forest fire, he radios the forest ranger station to report the fire.
12. Smoke jumpers jump down to the scene from propeller planes. Firefighters cut down trees and dig fire stops and the ground is doused with water to keep the fire from spreading.
13. Chemicals are sprayed from planes to smother the fire.
14. The fireboats have big pumps that suck up large amounts of water and force it through the nozzles.
15. Jets of water are sent from the boat through hoses to put out the fire.

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| 1. true  | 4. false | 7. true  |
| 2. false | 5. true  | 8. false |
| 3. true  | 6. true  | 9. true  |