



NATURAL GAS SAFETY ACTIVITY SHEET

Recommended for Grades 5-9

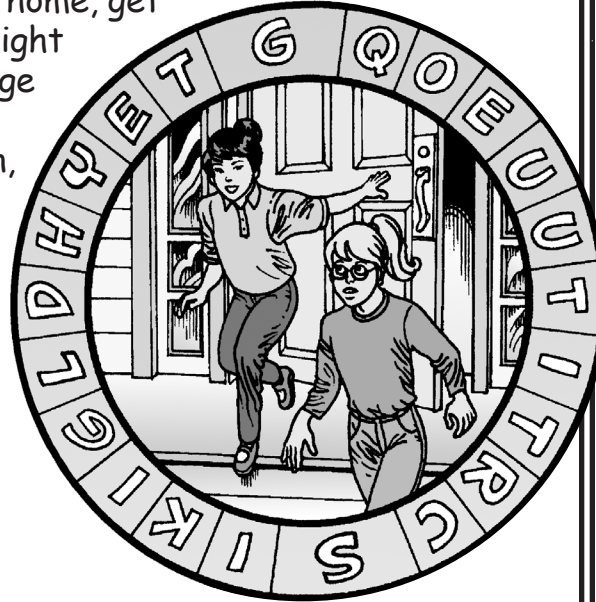
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IF YOU SMELL GAS

Natural gas usually smells like sulfur or rotten eggs. If you smell gas in your house, tell an adult. If no adult is home, get everyone out of the house. Do not use a light switch, candle, flashlight, TV, radio, garage door opener or even a phone—a spark could ignite the gas. Go to a safe location, and ask an adult to report the leak to 911 and Xcel Energy.



Directions:

Start with the letter "G" at the top of the circle, and go clockwise writing down every third letter in the spaces below.

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Natural Gas Safety Tip

Gas that leaks from pipelines is a fire hazard. If a pipeline is leaking, you may notice a sulfur or rotten egg smell; a hissing or roaring sound; dirt spraying or blowing into the air; bubbling in water; or grass/plants dead or dying for no apparent reason.

If you suspect a gas pipeline leak, do not use fire or electricity. Go far away from the area immediately, and do NOT go back until safety officials say it is safe. Ask an adult to report the leak to 911 and Xcel Energy.



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Call Before You Dig: Please call 811 if you plan to dig or move earth in any way—even just planting a tree or shrub. This free service will arrange for marking underground natural gas and electric lines so you can dig a safe distance away from them. After you call, wait your state's required time before digging—at least two to three working days.



Natural Gas Safety Activity Answer Key
• Message spells "Get right outside quickly."