# Let's Meet a Firefighter -Lesson Plan

Our 'Let's Meet a Firefighter' webisode explains all about the specialist kit a firefighter wears to deal with different emergencies.

## The children will learn all about...

The specialist kit that Firefighters wear to keep them safe

The different types of emergencies Firefighters deal with

#### What resources you will need...

The webisode link; Printable resources (If you haven't access to a printer, look out for our top tip!); Scissors, colouring pencils, glue





#### Early Years Foundation Curriculum Links:

Understanding the World – explore how things work; show interest in different occupations and begin to talk about members of their community.





Kent Fire &

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Top Tips and Ideas for the 'Let's Meet a Firefighter' activity...



#### **PAUSE THE VIDEO AT 25 SECONDS**

Explain that Firefighters, when they are not dealing with an emergency, wear their blue uniform with Kent Fire & Rescue written above their pocket. They will also have an I.D badge if you ask...this will tell you who they are.

Explain to the children that they can ask Firefighters for help when they are wearing this uniform also.

#### THINK

Can you think of when you might ask a Firefighter for help when they are wearing this uniform?

#### **PAUSE THE VIDEO AT 55 SECONDS**

Explain that Firefighters wear their special Fire kit when dealing with fires or other emergencies. You may see them helping at a road or water emergency. They have special protective clothing to keep them safe from heat and other hazards.

#### **EXPLAIN TO THE CHILDREN**

Firefighters are carefully trained and wear this special kit when dealing with fire. Explain that this shows how dangerous fire can be and that if we see a fire or a flame that we must not touch it. Remind the children to tell a grown up if they see a fire.





#### THINK

What must we do when we see a fire or a flame? Reinforce that they must not touch it and they should always tell a grown up. Remember Firefighters have special training and special kit to deal with fire.

#### **PAUSE THE VIDEO AT 2 MINUTES**

They may have to rescue someone who has fallen into water. Their special kit helps them to stay warm and dry. The floatation device also helps them to stay afloat.

#### **EXPLAIN TO THE CHILDREN**

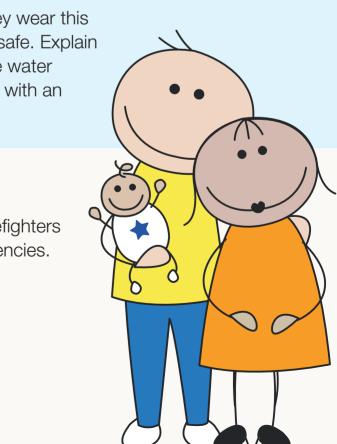
That they are carefully trained and they wear this special water kit to keep themselves safe. Explain that this shows how dangerous some water can be and that we must always stay with an adult near water and be very careful.

#### THINK

What type of emergencies do the Firefighters go to? Fires, Water and Road emergencies.







Let's Meet a Firefighter Follow Up Activities

#### **ACTIVITY 1 - DRESS THE FIREFIGHTER**

Children can use their cutting skills to cut around the tunic, leggings, gloves and boots.

Children can use their colouring skills also – can they remember about the different colour strips on the tunic and leggings?

Encourage the children to talk about the different items and why a Firefighter wears these in an emergency.

Reinforce that Firefighters have lots of special kit to help them deal with fires and flames safely.



#### **ACTIVITY 2 - MINI FIREFIGHTER COLOURING**

Encourage your children to name their Firefighter and take them home. Their Firefighter can help to remind them about what they have learnt. The Firefighter can also help home to remember to check their smoke alarm with our helpful little reminder included here.

And if that's not enough...take a look at our colouring resource as well. The children can practise their colouring skills and learn some of the key words.

The children could even trace the letters!

#### **ACTIVITY 3 - MINI FIREFIGHTER CERTIFICATE**

Award your children with a certificate for learning all about how Firefighters keep us safe. Send the certificate home with the children and encourage a conversation with home all about fire safety.



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