



All Around Town

PRIMARY FIELD TRIPS



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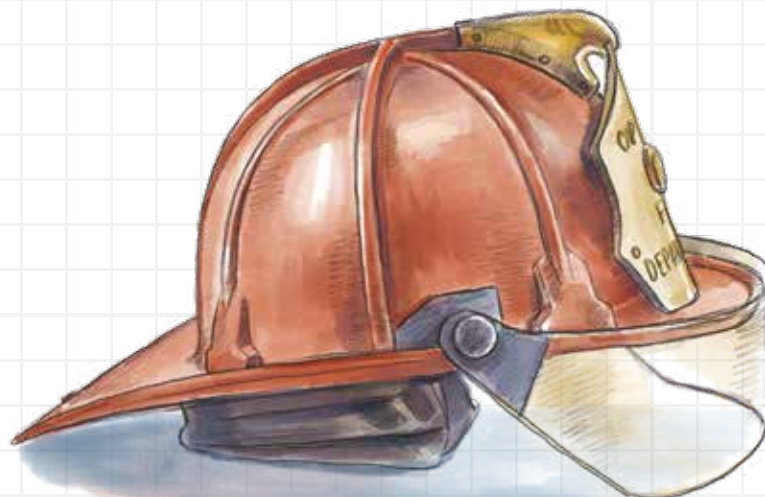
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Welcome to the

Fire Station

Let's learn some things about the fire station
and what happens there!





Fire Station



Activity #1: History of Fire Engines

Fire engines of different shapes, sizes, and even colors have been around since the early 1700s. Because fires are so dangerous, people developed ways to fight fires that typically involved getting water from a specific location to wherever the fire was.

As your parent or teacher reads each of the descriptions below, see if you can match them with the Fire Station stickers on pages 261–263. When you're done, you will be able to see different ways of fighting fire and how they have changed.

1700

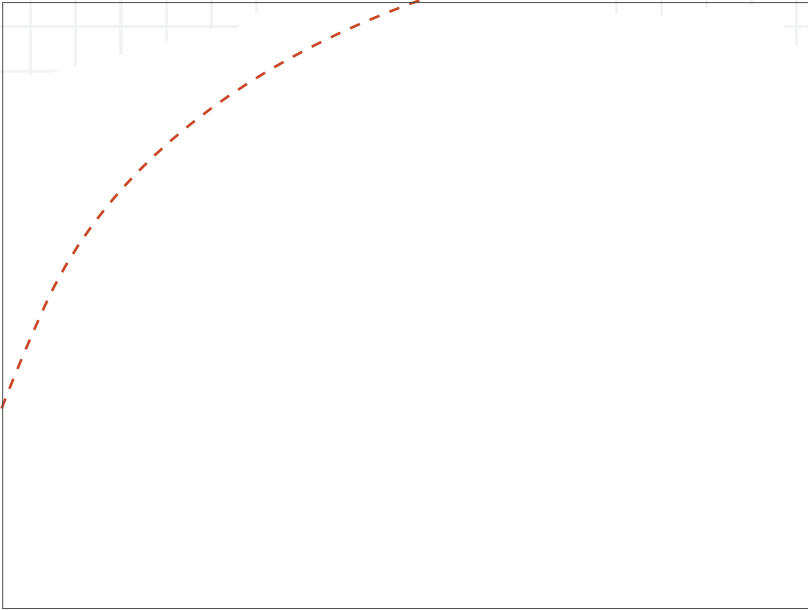
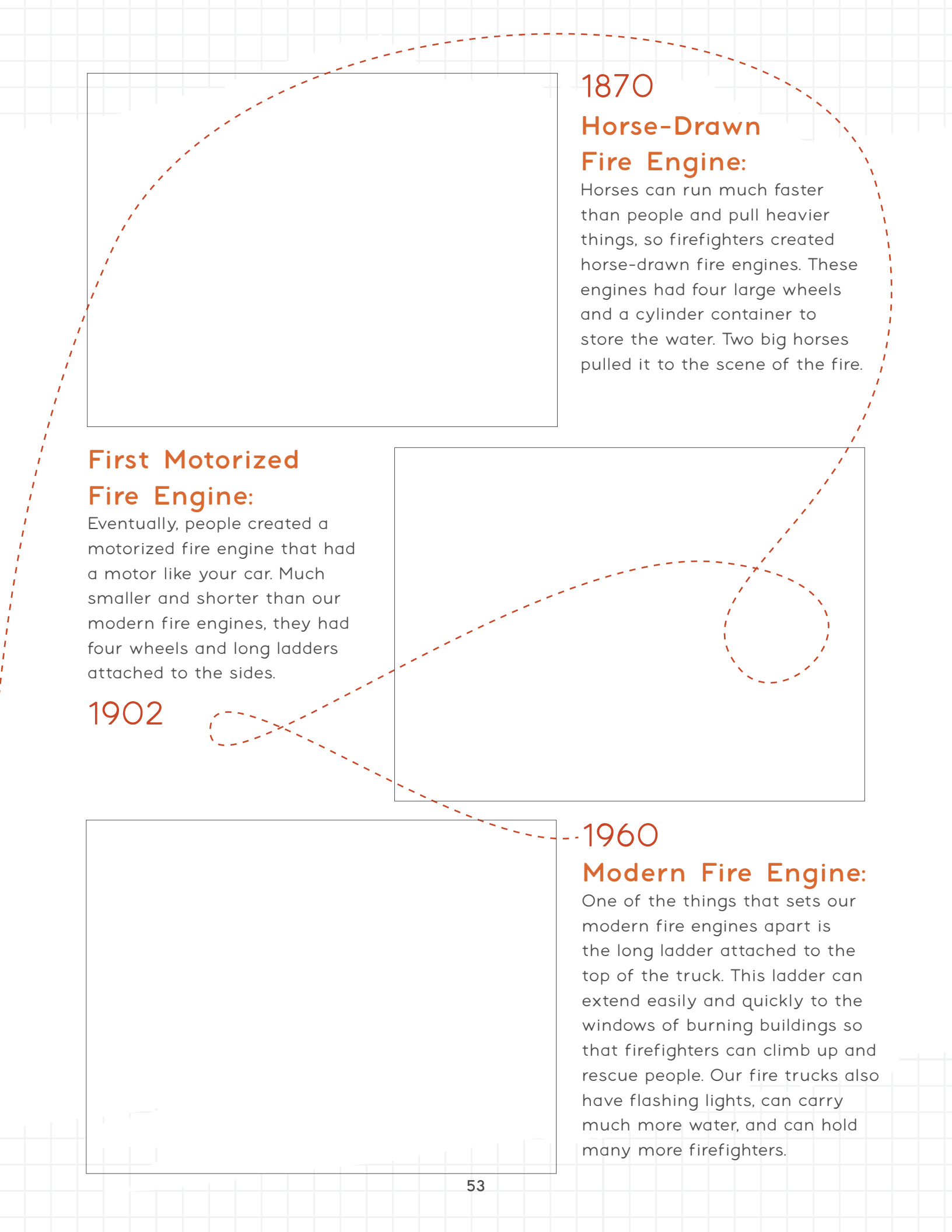
Bucket Brigade:

Before fire trucks, as many people as possible would form a long line between the fire and a source of water. The person at the end would fill up a bucket of water and pass it down the line, until the last person would throw the water onto the fire.

1743

First Fire Engine:

The first fire engine was a rectangular cart that could be pulled by people. There was a tank underneath that held water. It had a long handle that two people would take turns pushing down to make water blast out of the hose. Someone else would hold the hose and direct it at the fire.



1870

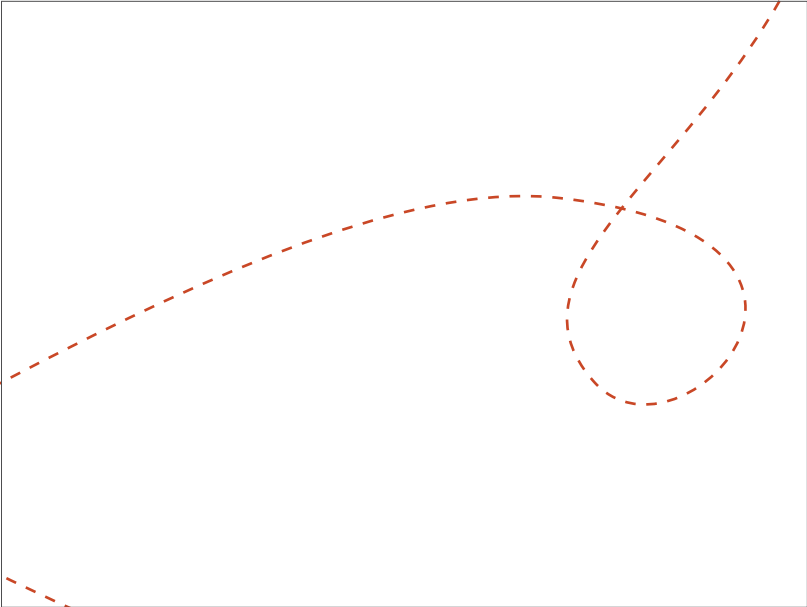
Horse-Drawn Fire Engine:

Horses can run much faster than people and pull heavier things, so firefighters created horse-drawn fire engines. These engines had four large wheels and a cylinder container to store the water. Two big horses pulled it to the scene of the fire.

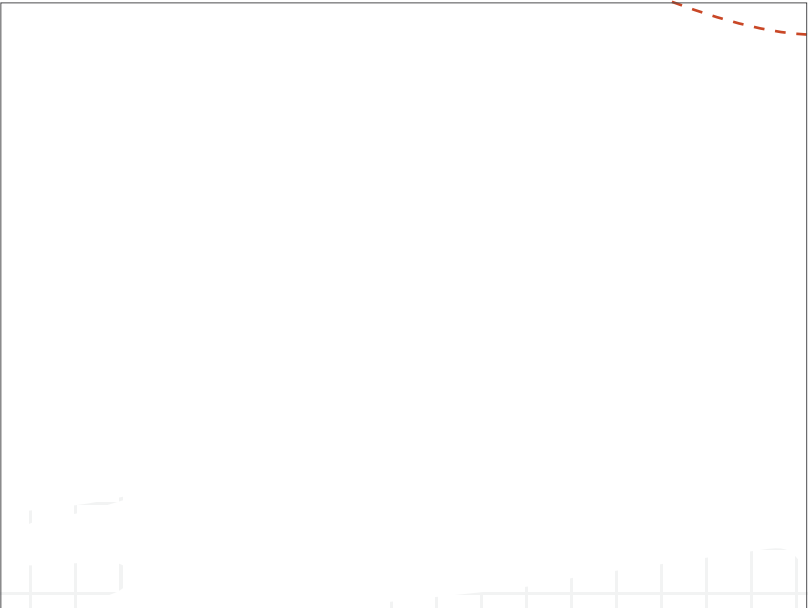
First Motorized Fire Engine:

Eventually, people created a motorized fire engine that had a motor like your car. Much smaller and shorter than our modern fire engines, they had four wheels and long ladders attached to the sides.

1902



1960



Modern Fire Engine:

One of the things that sets our modern fire engines apart is the long ladder attached to the top of the truck. This ladder can extend easily and quickly to the windows of burning buildings so that firefighters can climb up and rescue people. Our fire trucks also have flashing lights, can carry much more water, and can hold many more firefighters.

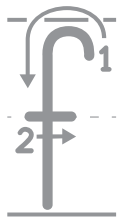
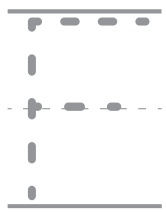
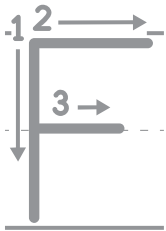


Fire Station



Activity #2: The Letter F

Lots of words at the fire station start with the letter F! Trace the letter F at the beginning of each of these words. Look out! There might be lowercase F's hidden in the words too!



Fire station

Firefighter

Fire 

fire hose

fire hydrant

fire extinguisher

fire engine

fire alarm



Activity #3: Sequence of Events

Sometimes, firefighters are called first responders. This is because they are often the first ones on the scene. The firefighters have to make a decision about what on the scene is most important and needs to be done first. Can you help these firefighters decide what they need to do first? Use your stickers on page 263.





Fire Station



Activity #4: Dramatic Play

Before you start this activity, you need to find a few materials. You will need three things: a bucket or large bowl, a source of water like a pool or hose, and something to be a pretend fire. Go outside and set your pretend fire up far away from your water source. Then, find some people to help you create a bucket brigade and put out the fire! Fill up the bucket at the water source and pass it from person to person until it gets to the fire. What else can you do that firefighters do?



About the Fire Station:

Firefighters are important to the community because they help save lives and keep us safe! In order to do their job, they need a fire truck and safety gear. Can you spot the 10 differences between these two pictures of the firefighter getting ready to go fight a fire?





Fire Station



Did you know?

See if you can answer these questions about the fire station. If you don't know the answer, ask your parents to help you find out!

-  What kinds of emergencies do firefighters handle?
-  How does someone become a firefighter?
-  What do firefighters do at a fire?



Draw one thing you might see a firefighter do.



Fun Fact:

A firefighter can get dressed in all of their gear in about two minutes. The gear weighs about 80–120 pounds! How much do you weigh compared to the gear the firefighters wear?

Sometimes kids are afraid of firefighters because of the gear that they wear. While you are at the fire station, look at the gear so you will know what to look for..



If there is a fire at your house, you must get out right away. Talk as a family and decide where you will meet, then draw the meeting place below.

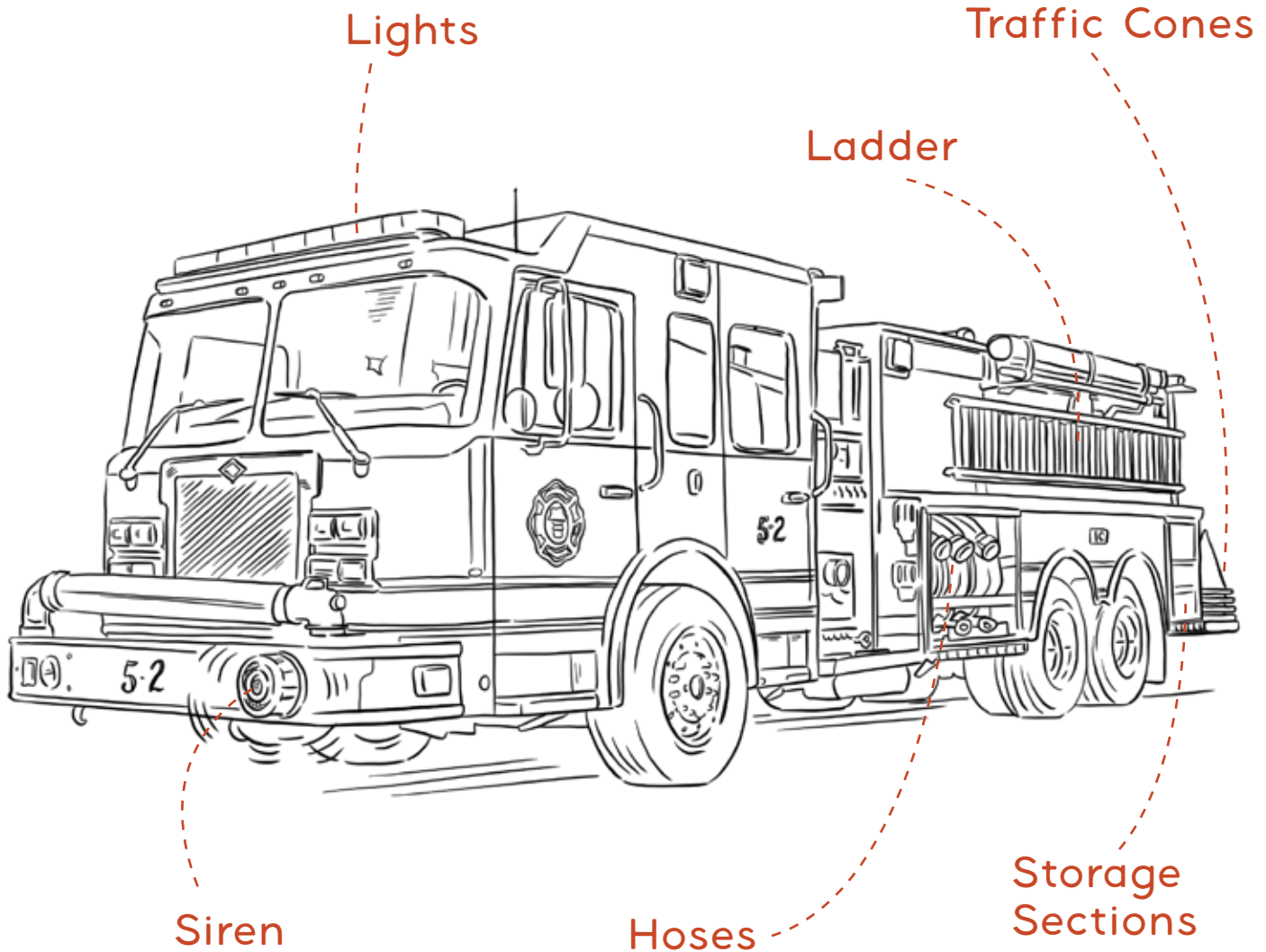


Fire Station



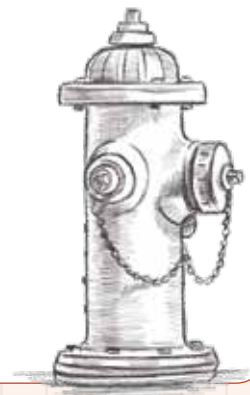
At the Fire Station:

A fire truck has a lot of equipment on it that firefighters can use to rescue people. While you're at the fire station, listen carefully when they tell you about the different features the fire truck has. When they show you something on the fire truck, circle that object on the picture of the fire truck below.



FIELD TRIP

Did the firefighters teach you about fire safety? If not, ask your parents what you should do. Then, draw some things you should do to stay safe if there is a fire.



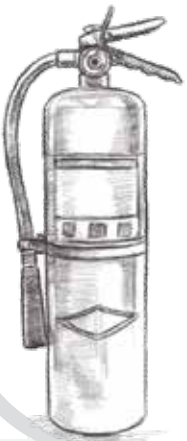


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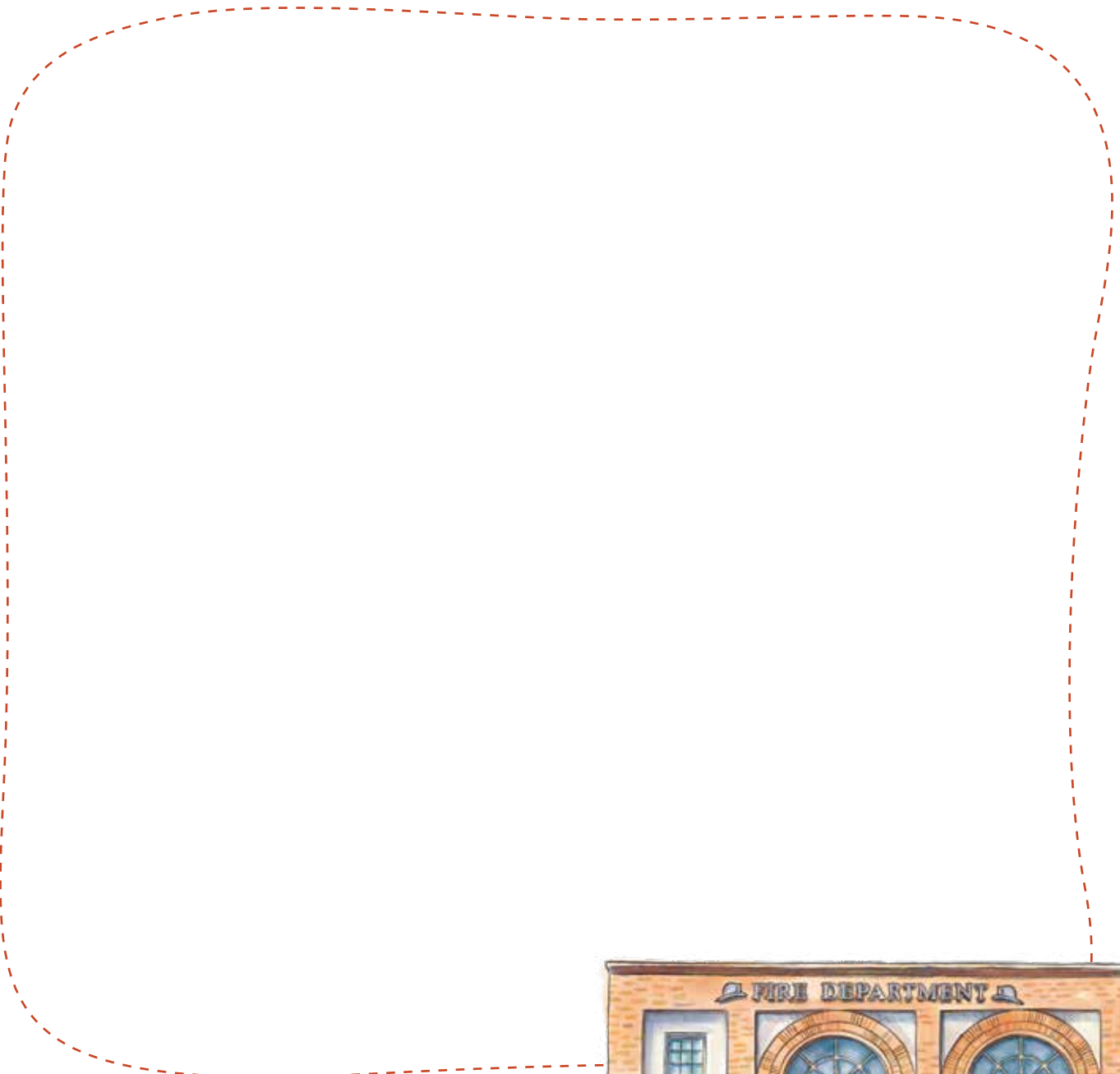


At Home:

I hope you saw an awesome fire truck! Draw something new that you learned about the fire station.



Draw your favorite part of the fire station.



Do you think you would like being a firefighter? Why or why not? Tell someone your answer.





Do you want something that will engage your young homeschool students while also teaching them valuable life skills?

Then this curriculum is for you!

All Around Town is a field trip-centered curriculum that teaches your students about places and people in their community through history, geography, science, and many fun activities.

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