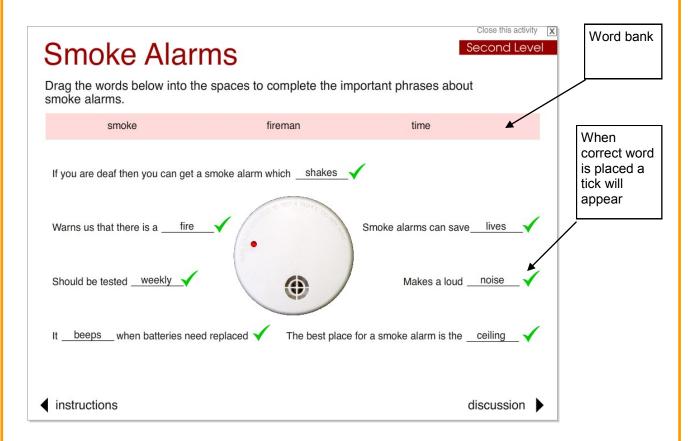
Below is a screen shot of the completed activity



This activity is designed to allow children to understand the importance of smoke alarms and that every home should have one. The activity should form the basis of a class or group discussion to get children thinking about why smoke alarms are so important, children should be encouraged to take this message back home to their families.

Some questions to consider are:

Why are smoke alarms so important?	They alert you to a fire in your home so you can get out quickly and safely
Where ideally should smoke alarms be placed?	On the ceiling, If your home is on one level (bungalow or a flat) fix it to the celling in the hallway, between the living room and the bedroom. If your home has more than one level fit one alarm at the bottom of the stairs and one at the top
What should you not do if one of your smoke alarms goes off because someone is cooking?	Take the batteries out as it wont be able to do it's job of warning you when there is a real fire.
How often should you change the batteries in your smoke alarm?	Once a year, even if the alarm is still working. It is a good idea to choose a memorable day such as your birthday or Christmas. Also remember to vacuum inside and outside the casing once a year when you change the batteries.
Where can you get a smoke alarm?	Your mum and dad can purchase one from a DIY shop or they can get one for free by arranging a Home Fire Safety Visit where a fire fighter will come and fit it or you.