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Second Level 2

Hoax Calls

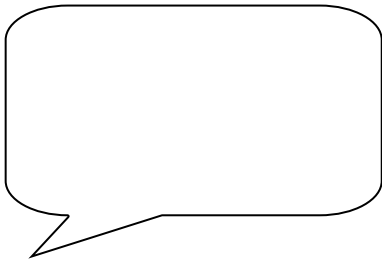
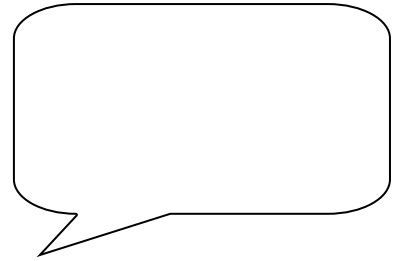
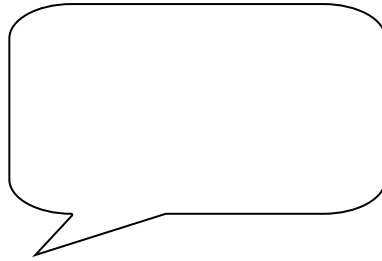
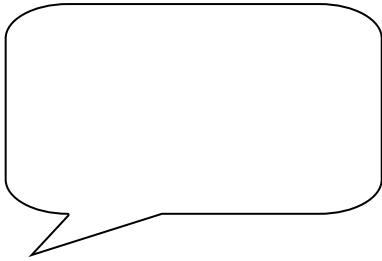
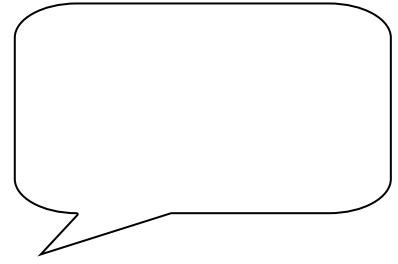
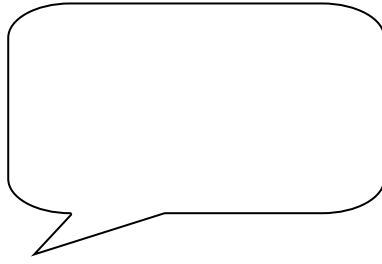
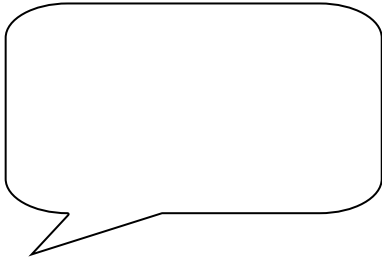
Listen to the phone calls below and see if you can work out which call is real and which call is a hoax.

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This activity is designed to allow children to consider the consequences of making a hoax call to the emergency services. They should listen to both phone calls and try to decide which one is a Hoax.

Which call do you think is real and which one do you think is a hoax? Why?	They are both hoax calls
Was it hard to distinguish between the real call and the hoax call?	It is very difficult to distinguish between a hoax call and a real call, therefore a fire engine is always sent.
What else might be happening while the fire service are attending a hoax call?	Someone's house could be on fire. There could be a road accident that the fire service need to attend.
What might be the consequences of making a hoax call?(please record children's answers if you have time)	This list is not exhaustive: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You could be charged by the police as it is an offence to make a hoax call • Someone who is trapped in a fire will have to wait longer to be rescued • There will be more damage to a house that is on fire as it will take longer for the fire service to be able to attend. • Someone who is injured in a car accident would have to wait longer to be rescued
Who might be affected by a hoax call being made?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The person making the call as they may be charged by the police. • The parents of the child who makes the hoax call as they will be very disappointed. • The fire service, there time is valuable, every second counts when there is a fire and they can't afford for there time to be wasted. • The Police as they will have to investigate the hoax call • The 999 operator



What are the consequences of making a hoax call?

