

Outdoor Safety - Lesson Plans

Activity 3- Building Site Dangers

Curriculum for Excellence Experiences and Outcomes

I am learning to assess and manage risk, to protect myself and others and to reduce the potential for harm when possible. **HWB 1-16a.**

1. Connecting the Learning - Remind the class that parks are places that children are supposed to visit and enjoy but, as they found out in the previous lesson, there are sometimes hazards to watch out for. In this lesson they are going to learn about some places that children should definitely not be playing - building sites and road works.

Display the picture of a construction worker (Go Safe website) and point out the special clothes they wear. Ask the class for suggestions as to why the construction workers need to wear protective clothing. Ask for examples of other types of protective clothing (like goggles, ear defenders, steel toe-capped boots, etc.).

2. Sharing the Learning Outcomes -

- I can explain why entering a building site is dangerous
- I can give reasons why playing near road works is dangerous

3. Active Learning - Discuss the fact that some children and young people think that building sites or road works are exciting places to go. Ask the class why this might be.

Use the building site pictures (open from the Teachers' Notes) to play a 'spot the hazards' game looking for the dangers that building sites and road works contain. Ask the children to circle the hazards using an interactive whiteboard pen and explain their choice. A checklist of hazards is shown in the plenary after the activity.

4. Demonstrating Understanding - Look at the set of building site warning signs online and ask children to match up the meaning of each sign.

Ask the class to role play what they would do if a friend wanted to play near road works or take a short cut through a building site? What would they tell him or her?

5. Review and Recall - Remind the class of the Learning Outcomes and ask for some examples of building site hazards. Finally, remind the class that no-one should ever enter a building site without permission.

6. Homework Task - Ask the class to look out for building site/construction work signs and to make a note of what the sign says and looks like and where they saw it.