

PEPPER'S PREPAREDNESS ADVENTURE

An emergency preparedness
workbook for kids



Meet Pepper the Preparedness Pup, the Anne Arundel County Office of Emergency Management mascot. Pepper has the best job in the world because she gets to teach kids about emergency preparedness. Emergencies happen more often than you think, so don't be scared, be prepared!



Pepper shares preparedness tips on our social media. For example, when it gets really hot, she reminds everyone to drink extra water. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Nextdoor, and Youtube to see more of her tips.

She attends community events to teach kids how to prepare for emergencies and build resilience to future emergencies and disasters. Stop by one of our events for the chance to meet Pepper!



Pepper even has her own cartoon video series talking about different types of emergencies and how you can be prepared. Check out our YouTube Channel to see them all!



Fill out this activity book to help Pepper complete her adventure and reach her goal of preparing kids for emergencies! Here are a few words you should know before you get started.

Emergency - a serious, unexpected, and dangerous situation that you need to take action on right away

Disaster - an accident or weather event that happens suddenly and causes a lot of damage

Emergency preparedness - when you take steps to stay safe before, during, and after an emergency.

Resilience - the ability to recover quickly.

Safety - when you are protected from or unlikely to cause danger or injury.

Volunteer - someone that offers to help do something for free

Evacuate - leave a place quickly to go to a safe place.

Shelter-in-place - find a safe place indoors away from the windows and stay there until you are told that it is safe to leave.

Suspicious - When someone or something doesn't seem right and makes you feel scared or worried.

Color Pepper below before she sets off on her preparedness adventure.

PEPPER THE PREPAREDNESS PUP



Pepper is getting ready for her adventure, but first, she needs your help finding a few words! Complete the word search below to help Pepper.

E	N	B	S	H	E	L	T	E	R	O	K	U	Y	A
M	P	V	D	I	S	A	S	T	E	R	Y	C	S	L
E	K	P	E	P	P	E	R	M	V	E	C	H	F	E
R	S	E	E	S	O	M	E	T	H	I	N	G	I	R
G	B	E	X	W	A	T	C	H	R	S	A	H	R	T
E	O	V	H	O	X	O	P	A	D	T	B	P	E	R
N	Y	A	X	T	O	R	N	A	D	O	H	L	C	F
C	F	C	R	E	A	K	M	C	O	R	V	A	X	L
Y	W	U	K	I	T	S	J	M	E	M	F	N	Y	O
I	S	A	Y	S	O	M	E	T	H	I	N	G	J	O
L	S	T	U	O	V	O	L	U	N	T	E	E	R	D
P	R	E	P	A	R	E	D	N	E	S	S	R	X	C
A	X	T	V	B	H	U	R	R	I	C	A	N	E	R
S	Y	W	A	R	N	I	N	G	O	R	Y	P	Q	C
E	S	A	F	E	T	Y	X	S	W	G	N	B	Q	J

- Pepper
- Preparedness
- Emergency
- Disaster
- Safety
- Flood
- Hurricane
- Tornado
- Fire
- Storm
- Plan
- Kit
- Volunteer
- Evacuate
- Shelter
- Watch
- Warning
- Alert
- See Something
- Say Something

Draw a line connecting the word to the picture of each type of disaster to help Pepper prepare for any type of weather emergency!



Snowstorm



Hurricane



Lightning



Flood



Earthquake

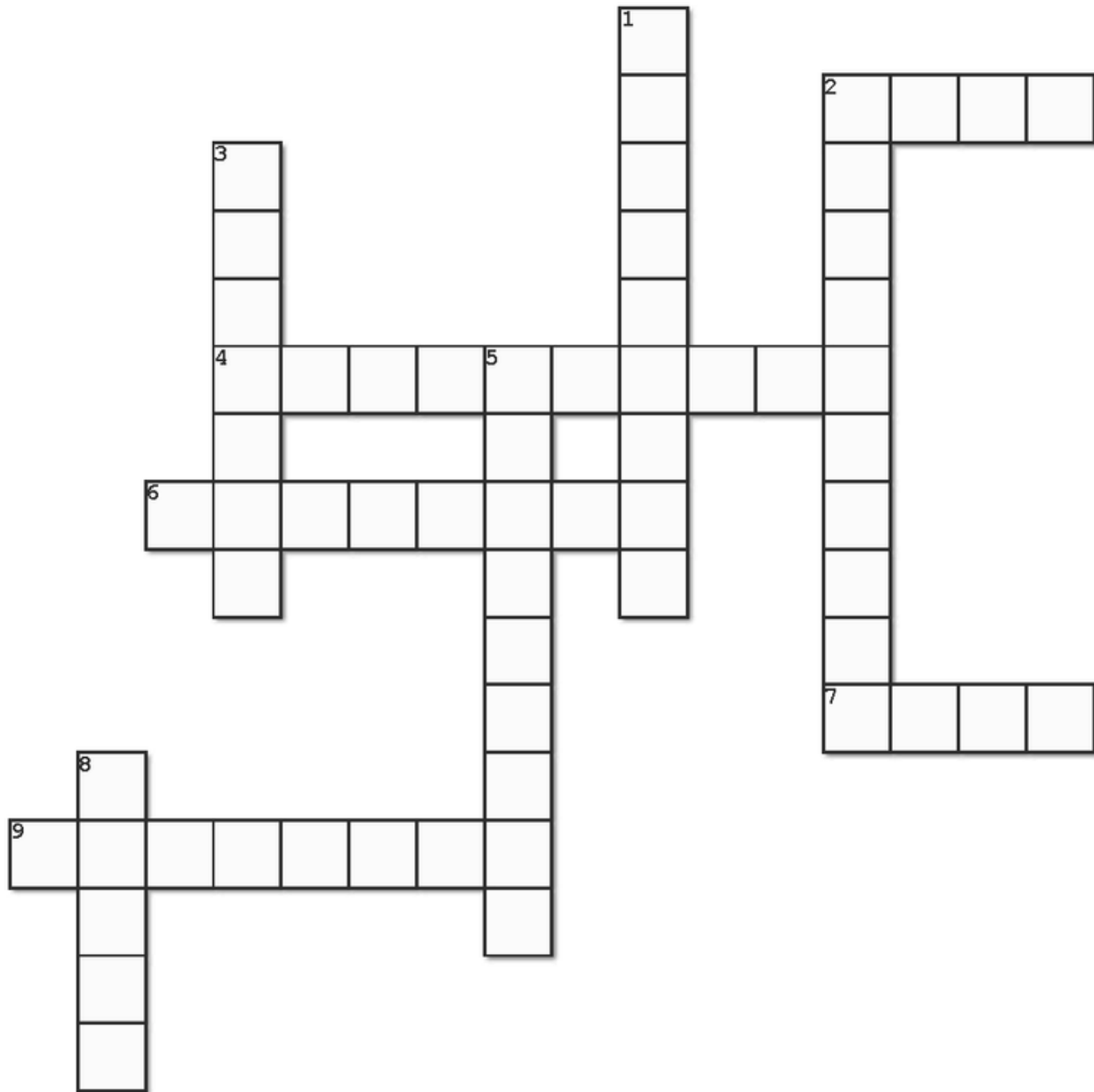


Fire



Tornado

Pepper is almost ready, but now she has to gather supplies in case of an emergency. Use the clues below to solve the crossword puzzle and help Pepper figure out what items to include in her emergency kit.



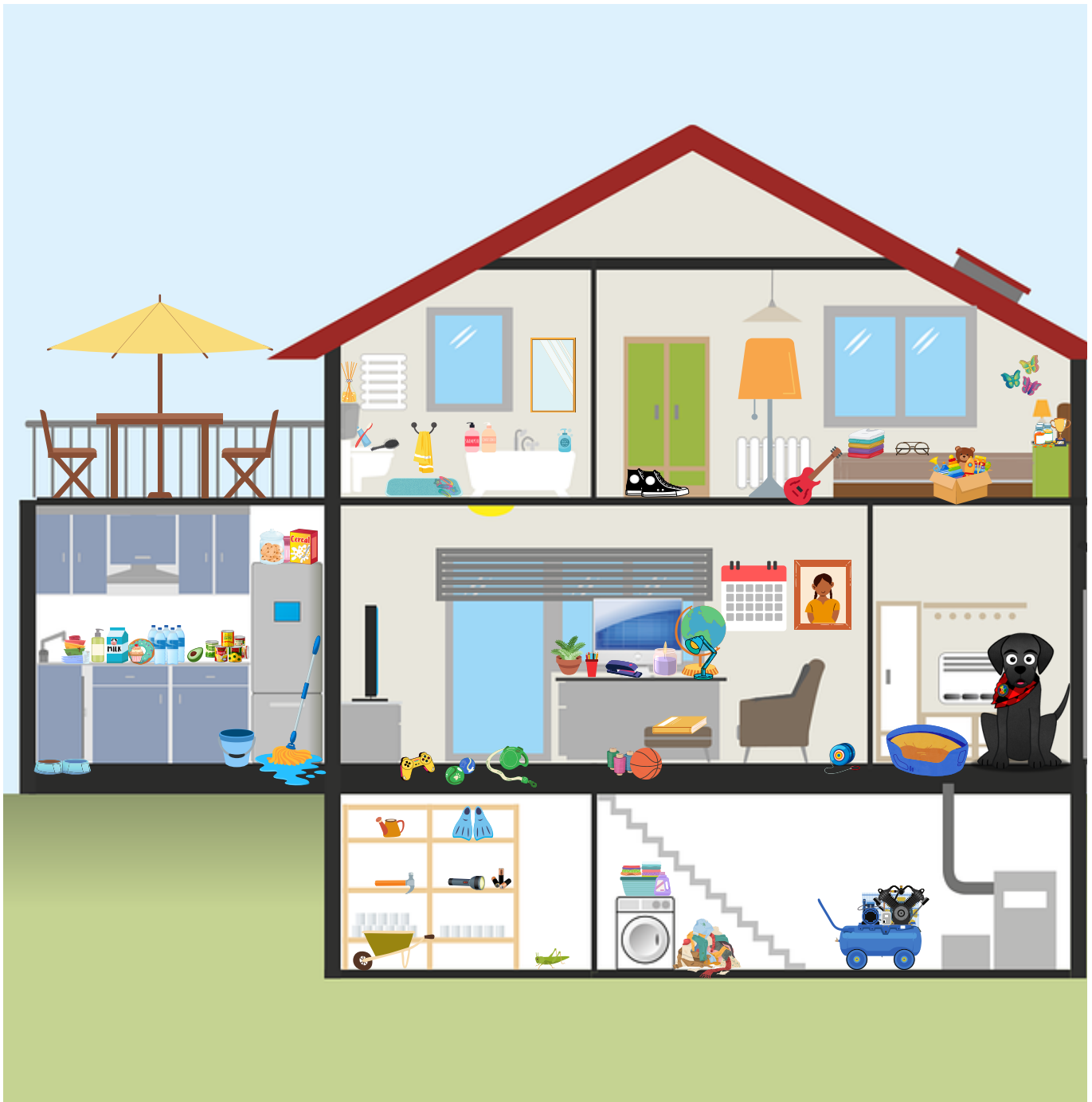
Across

- 2. Stops your stomach from growling
- 4. Use this twice a day to keep your teeth clean
- 6.Helps you feel better when you are sick
- 7.Something to play with
- 9. You put this on scrapes and cuts

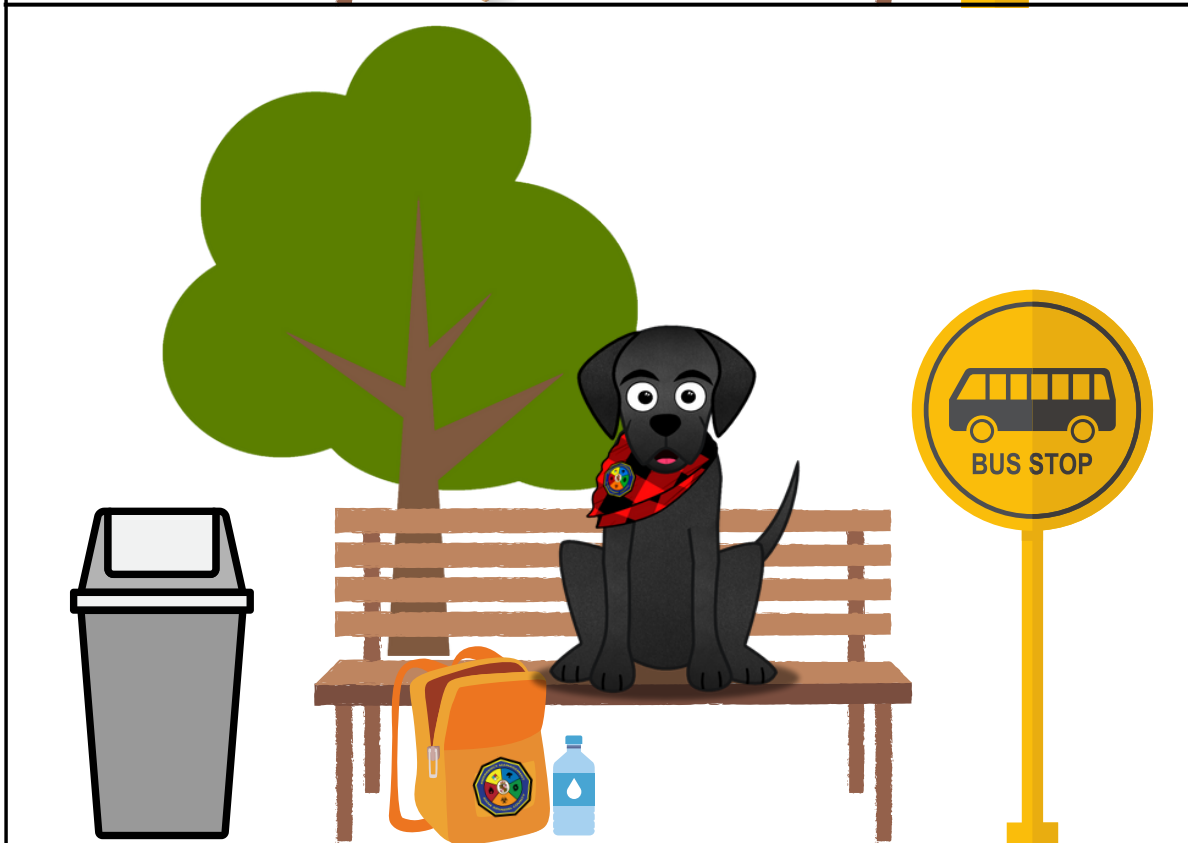
Down

- 1.Powers electronics
- 2.Creates light when it is dark
- 3.You wear these
- 5. Gets the knots out of hair
- 8. Each person needs 1 gallon of this per day

Pepper knows what to put in her emergency kit, but now she needs help finding the items in her house. Help Pepper by circling these items in the picture below.



Now that she has her emergency kit, Pepper can head to the bus stop! While walking to the bus stop, Pepper needs to be aware of the things and people around her. Spot the 5 differences below to help her stay safe.

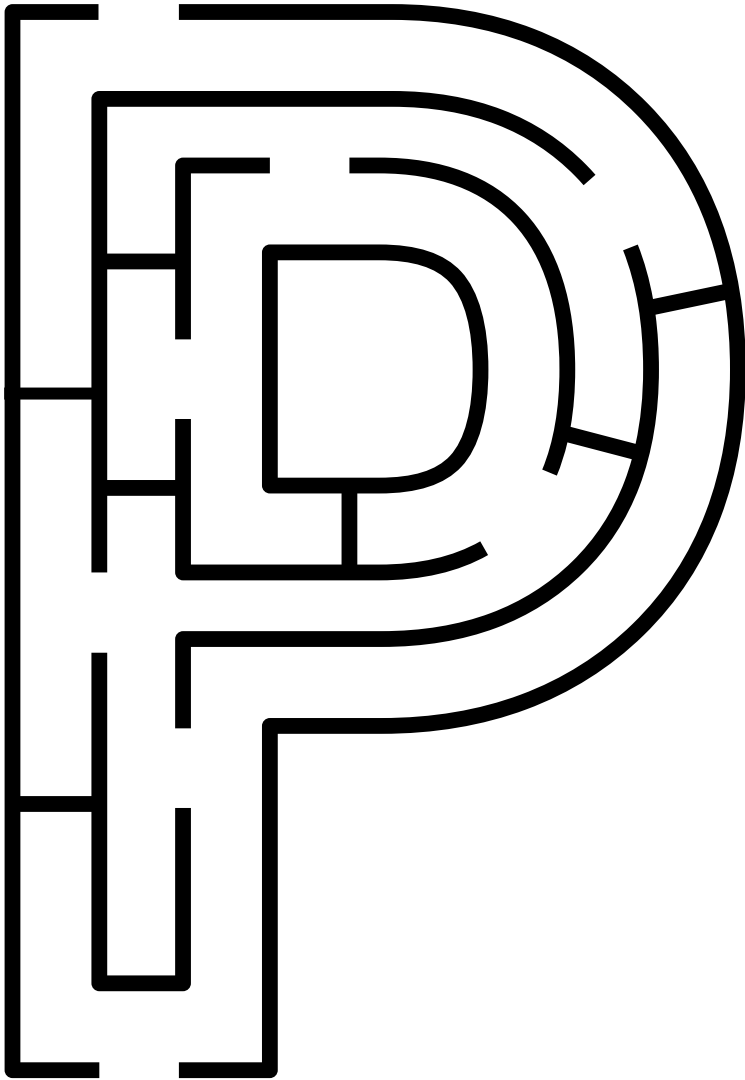


Remember if you see something suspicious, say something! Report suspicious activity to a trusted adult and if you feel like you are in danger, call 9-1-1.

Pepper made it on to the bus, but now she needs help telling the bus driver where to go. Complete the maze below so Pepper can get to her local library.



START



FINISH

Thanks for all your help getting Pepper to the library! Now she can share her preparedness reading list with all of her friends! Look at the list of books below and stop by your local library to check some out!



Pre K-K *How Do Dinosaurs Stay Safe?* by Jane Yolen

Pre K-K *Stormy Night* by Salina Yoon

Pre K-1 *Go Away, Big Green Monster!* by Ed Emberley

Pre K-1 *I'm Not Scared Book* by Todd Parr

K-1 *Babies in the Bayou* by Jim Arnosky

K-2 *Back-to-School Safety* by Lisa M. Herrington

K-2 *Franklin and the Thunderstorm* by Paulette Bourgeois

K-3 *Be Careful and Stay Safe* by Cheri J. Meiners

K-3 *Blizzard* by Joyce Markovics

K-3 *Clifford the Firehouse Dog* by Norman Bridwell

K-3 *Scaredy Squirrel* by Melanie Watt

K-3 *Who Feels Scared?* by Sue Graves

2-4 *The Big Bad Blackout* by Megan McDonald

3-5 *Hurricane & Tornado* by Jack Challoner

3-6 *I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005* by Lauren Tarshis

DON'T BE SCARED BE PREPARED!



For more preparedness games and activities visit
www.aacounty.org/oem/kids

