

The Fire on Maple Street



The fire engine went by very fast on Maple Street. Its siren was going. It was very loud. The children watched it go by. They ran after it. Two firemen were hanging off the back. They waved at the children. The children stopped running. The fire engine was too fast to chase.

They looked down the block. They could see some smoke in the sky. The siren stopped. The children hoped the fire would be put out soon.

They waited. An hour later the fire engine came back. It was going much slower this time. The firemen smiled at them.

"Everything is okay! We put the fire out! No-one got hurt," one of the firemen shouted.

The children cheered and clapped. They were glad that no-one was hurt in the fire on Maple Street.



The Fire on Maple Street Multiple Choice Questions

1. Why did the children stop running?

- a. they were tired
- b. the fire engine was too fast to chase
- c. it was dark
- d. it was time for dinner

2. What street was the fire on?

- a. Oak Street
- b. West Street
- c. North Street
- d. Maple Street

3. Did anyone get hurt in the fire?

- a. yes
- b. no

4. How many firefighters were hanging off the back of the truck?

- a. one
- b. three
- c. two
- d. four



The Fire on Maple Street Answer Key

1. b

2. d

3. b

4. c



The Fire on Maple Street Free Response and Writing Activity

Write your answers in complete sentences.

1. Firefighters are great role models. Whom else would you consider a great role model? Explain why.

2. Describe three details of a fire truck.

3. What do you think firefighters do when there are no fires?

4. Why were the children clapping and cheering?

