

Investigate with P.I. Plug

What's different between these two homes?
Help find the safety features and fire hazards.

Warm Up to Safety

Winter's colder weather makes it a great time to cozy up indoors with family and friends. Unfortunately, winter is also the time when many home fires occur. You can help keep your family safe by becoming a Safety Detective like P.I. Plug. Learn to identify electrical fire hazards, and then ask an adult to fix them. A Safety Detective is a great help all year long.



Have an adult test smoke alarms monthly to make sure that they are working properly. Remember to replace their batteries at least once a year.

Water and electricity do not mix. Do not use a space heater in damp or wet areas—like the bathroom.

Space heaters keep you warm, but position them away from drapes, your bed, clothing, and furniture. Space heaters can burn anything they touch, and they even get hot enough to start a fire!

Never leave a space heater running when you exit the room or go to sleep. Ask an adult to unplug the heater when it is not being used.

You should have working smoke alarms on every level of your home, outside each sleeping area, and inside each bedroom.