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Would you be ready if there is a fire or an earthquake, or if the weather turns severe? What if the factory down the street has a chemical leak, or police are searching for a dangerous person in the area? Would you know what to do?

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Planning also considers what you will do if a manmade disaster such as a radiation release or chemical leak occurs, or what you would do if there were a threat due to a dangerous person in the area or a terrorist attack affects your area. Being prepared for emergencies includes planning for the types of emergencies you might face and how you will communicate with others during an emergency, learning how to prepare supplies, and practicing how to react in emergencies such as a fire or earthquake. To be prepared, talk about the emergency plan with everyone who may be involved.

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