Firefighter Cardell is a fun guy. He has lived in Seattle his whole life. He went to Bailey Gatzert Elementary and Stevens Elementary a long time ago. When Firefighter Cardell went to elementary school, the Seattle Space Needle was brand new! What elementary school do you go to? Firefighter Cardell likes to help out in his community. Sometimes he helps plan big events like walkathons and barbeques. Everyone in the neighborhood comes to the events that Firefighter Cardell plans.

Firefighter Cardell is a Fire Inspector. Inspectors are special firefighters who make sure buildings follow important fire safety rules. Firefighter Cardell likes following rules. Firefighter Cardell says his favorite fire safety rule for kids is “always tell an adult if you find matches and lighters. Matches and lighters are tools for grownups.” Can you name a fire safety rule?

Firefighter Cardell is a very hard worker. He inspects big buildings like hospitals and very tall buildings called high-rises. Have you ever been inside of a tall building? Firefighter Cardell has inspected lots of buildings. He has even been to the very top of the oldest high-rise in Seattle, The Smith Tower. Firefighter Cardell says “the best way to stay safe from fire is to stop fire before it starts.” By inspecting buildings, he prevents fires. He keeps people safe. He keeps other firefighters safe.

Staying safe is very important to Firefighter Cardell. He practices fire safety at his house. He practices his fire drill and escape plan twice a year. He tests his smoke alarms once a month. He always keeps things that can burn away from heaters. Keeping his home safe from fire is important to Firefighter Cardell. You can be a Fire Inspector at your home. What can you do to keep your home safe from fire?
Fire Safety Scavenger Hunt

Are you Fire Safe just like Firefighter Cardell?
Here is a Fire Safety Scavenger Hunt to check and see.

- Draw a home fire escape plan and make sure everyone who lives at home sees it. (10 points)
- Make sure everyone knows where the family meeting place is. (10 points)
- You have smoke alarms on every level of your home and inside each bedroom. (10 points)
- Have a grown up help you test all the smoke alarms in your home. (10 points)
- Have a home fire drill. (10 points)
- Make sure toys, furniture, papers and other things that can burn are kept away from heaters and the fireplace. (10 points)
- Clean your room. (10 points)
- Make sure small appliances like the toaster are unplugged when not in use. (10 points)

How many points did you get? _____________

If you got all 80 you are Super Fire Safe! Good for you!
If you got 60-70 points you are making a good effort to be Fire Safe! Keep up the good work!
If you got 50 points or less you are still learning about being Fire Safe. Keep working on it and soon you will be Super Fire Safe.