FireFlies

THE KID'S SAFETY SOURCE

Feature Firefighter

L to R: FFs Michael Frediani, Brett Omri, Prezel Essex-White and Cp. Darnell Factory

Meet Fire Engine 30

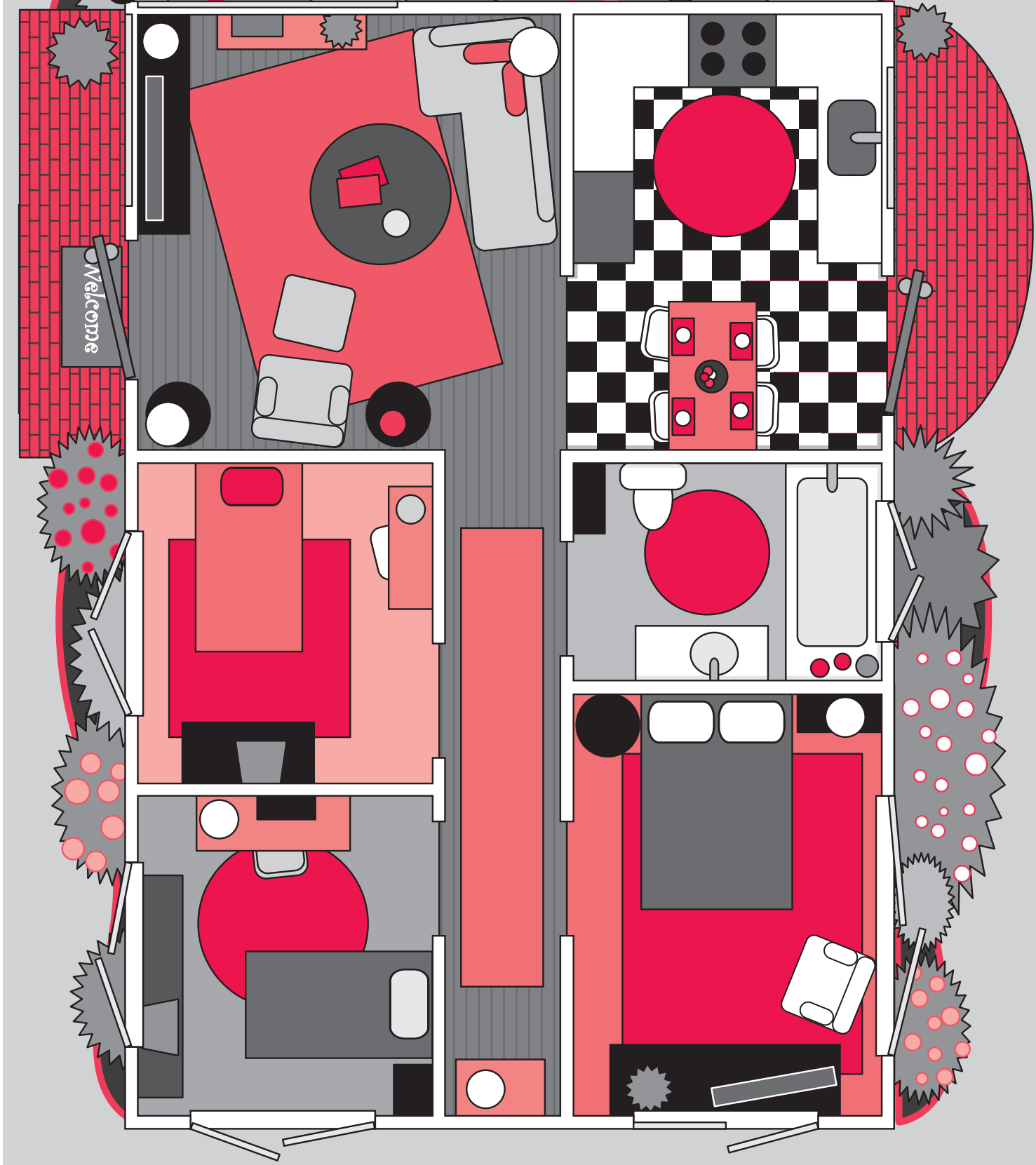
Firefighters put out fires and help people who are sick or hurt. When firefighters come to your home or school, they drive a fire engine or a fire truck. There is a difference between fire engines and fire trucks. Can you guess what the difference is?

Fire trucks have ladders that can reach 100 feet in the air! Can you count to 100? Fire engines do not have big ladders. Instead of ladders, fire engines have lots of water, long hoses and tools that help fight fires.

The firefighters that work on Fire Engine 30 help people all day long, every day of the year. There are four jobs for firefighters to do on Fire Engine 30. The Driver drives the engine. The Officer is in charge. Then there are the Firefighters who sit behind the Officer and the Driver.

When Engine 30 goes to a fire, the Firefighters who sit behind the Officer and Driver jump out and hook up the hoses right way. Firefighter Essex-White says that he helps Firefighters Omri and Frediani hook up the hoses so that they can pump water onto the fire. They get to start putting out the fire right away! Captain Factory says that every time the firefighters jump out of the engine, they look both ways to make sure that there are no cars coming. Do you look both ways before you cross the street?

Captain Factory also wants kids to know that every family should have an escape plan in case of a fire or emergency. He says, "not only should you have an escape plan, you should practice the plan with everyone that lives in your home. Does your home have an escape plan?"

Eight Ways Out!

Can you get out of this house? How many windows do you see? How many doors? Can you find eight ways out?