

Are You **READY!**

Electricity lights up our world!

Think of all the ways we rely on electricity: keeping food fresh, cooking meals, and getting information through the internet or TV. It keeps us warm in the winter, cool in the summer, and connected with each other year round. Oftentimes, we use electricity to play and have fun! Are you and your family ready if disaster strikes and your home is without power?



How would we see at night without power?

Help your family build an emergency kit! Collect these items and keep them together in a safe place that you can find easily. Make sure you have enough supplies to last for at least **three days**.

Emergency Supplies List

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| ☐ 3-day supply of non-perishable food (dried fruit, canned tuna fish, peanut butter, etc.) | ☐ Water – at least a gallon per person, per day |
| ☐ Can opener | ☐ Battery-powered or hand-cranked radio with extra batteries |
| ☐ First aid kit | ☐ Flashlights with extra batteries |
| ☐ Sleeping bag or warm blanket for everyone in your family | ☐ Cell phone with charger, extra battery and solar charger |
| ☐ Change of clothes to last 3 days, including sturdy shoes; consider the weather where you live | ☐ Whistle to signal for help |
| ☐ Matches in a waterproof container (let a grown up handle these) | ☐ Local maps |
| ☐ Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap | ☐ Pet supplies |
| ☐ Paper plates, plastic cups and utensils, paper towels | ☐ Baby supplies |
| | ☐ Books, games or puzzles |
| | ☐ A favorite stuffed animal or blanket |

Remember, traffic lights will not work!

Go on a quest with your family!
Create a scavenger hunt!
Make planning fun!



<http://www.ready.gov/kids>

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Some disasters strike without any warning. Have you thought about those supplies you'll need the most? They will usually be the hardest to come by. Enlist your children to help gather supplies for your family's emergency kit. It'll bring you a sense of relief, and your kids a feeling of empowerment.

Make sure you have enough supplies to last for at least **three days**. Think about where you live and your needs. Consider having a large kit at home, and smaller portable kit in the car or your workplace.

If a big storm is coming...

- ✓ Fill your car with gas
- ✓ Fill plastic bags with water and place them in the freezer
- ✓ Get extra cash out of the bank
- ✓ Fill prescriptions

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| ☐ Can opener | ☐ Household chlorine bleach and medicine dropper (when diluted nine parts water to one part bleach, bleach can be used as a disinfectant. Or in an emergency, you can use it to treat water by using 16 drops of regular household liquid bleach per gallon of water. Do not use scented, color safe or bleaches with added cleaners.) |
| ☐ Paper plates, plastic cups and utensils, paper towels | ☐ Local maps |
| ☐ Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation | ☐ Cash or traveler's checks |
| ☐ Water – at least a gallon per person, per day for drinking and hygiene | ☐ Emergency reference material such as first aid book or information from www.ready.gov |
| ☐ First aid kit | ☐ Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, ID, and bank records in a waterproof, portable container |
| ☐ Prescription medication and glasses | ☐ Pet supplies |
| ☐ Sleeping bag or warm blanket for everyone in your family | ☐ Infant formula and diapers |
| ☐ Change of clothes to last for at least 3 days, including sturdy shoes; consider the weather where you live | ☐ Paper and pencil |
| ☐ Matches in a waterproof container | ☐ Books, games or puzzles (let your kids pick these out themselves!) |
| ☐ Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap and other personal items | ☐ Your child's favorite stuffed animal or security blanket |
| ☐ Feminine hygiene supplies | ☐ Pet food and extra water for your pet |
| ☐ Fire extinguisher | |
| ☐ Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities | |
| ☐ Dust mask, and plastic sheeting and duct tape, to help filter contaminated air | |
| ☐ Battery-powered or hand-cranked radio and extra batteries | |
| ☐ Flashlights and extra batteries | |
| ☐ Cell phone with charger, extra battery and solar charger | |

Don't forget to think about infants, elderly, pets, or any family members with special needs!

