

ASHCAN
SAYS:

BE COOL

WITH FIRE
MATCHES & LIGHTERS
CAN REALLY BURN
YOU UP!



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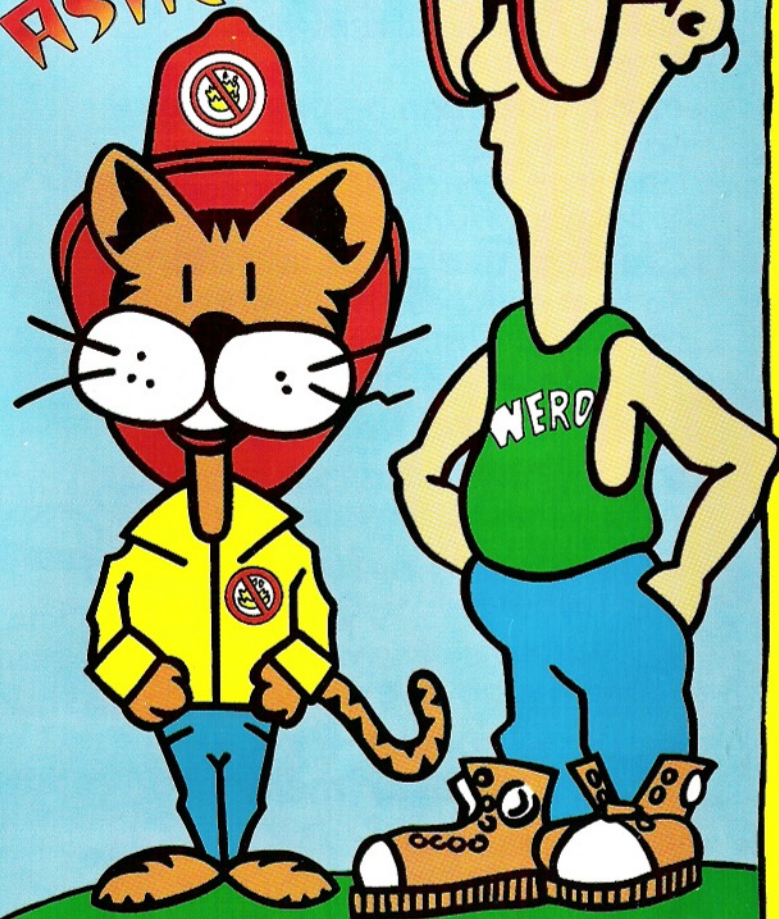
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A READ-ALONG BOOK

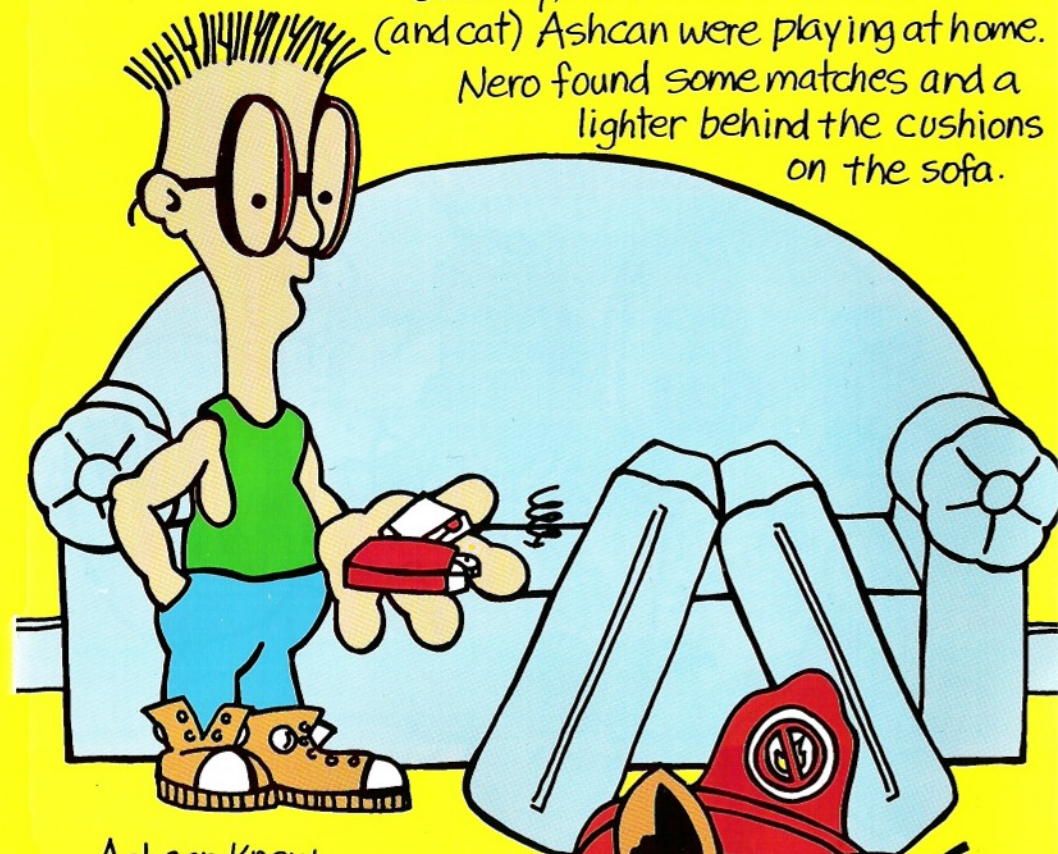
A MESSAGE TO ADULTS:

This booklet is for you - to read along with your child about fire safety.

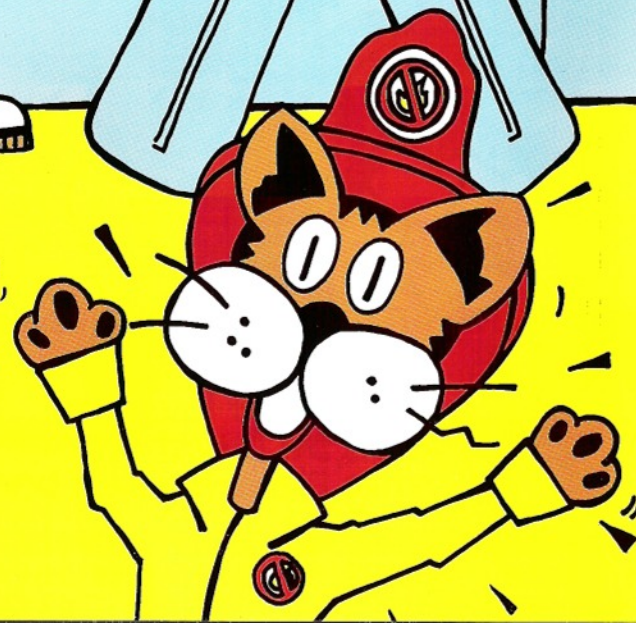
- **Enjoy together this safety message on matches and lighters** - and your child will remember it for a lifetime.
- **Most fires can be prevented** - so help protect your children by teaching them the importance of not playing with fire.
- **Children are great imitators** - so keep matches and lighters out of their reach and sight.
- **Nero learned to always give matches and lighters to a big person** - and this is the main message for your child.
- **Children are naturally curious and learn best by experience** - so try to teach them fire safety around their own experiences.
- **Keep the number for your local fire department near your phone.**

... Thank-you for helping your child to **Be Cool With Fire!**

One day, Nero and his best friend (and cat) Ashcan were playing at home. Nero found some matches and a lighter behind the cushions on the sofa.



Ashcan knew all about fire safety. He shouted, "Nero! Don't play with matches or a lighter. They are not toys!"





Nero didn't know that
even the littlest fire can
sting like a thousand bees...



Fire can gobble up
your toys and
even burn up your
home.
It only takes one
little fire to grow
into a big fire.

Now Nero knew
what could
happen if he played
with fire. He gave
the matches and
lighter to his
Mom and Dad.



Ashcan said,
Never play with
matches or a lighter.
Give them to a big
person right away — ok?

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Matches and lighters can really burn you up!



Can you help Ashcan
tell which is a good fire
and which is a bad fire?

