



## Fire Safety Rules

### Prevention

To reduce fire risk and life safety hazards.

- Do not place burning materials such as cigarettes and ashes into garbage
- Do not dispose of flammable liquids or aerosol cans in garbage
- Lint trap in dryer to be cleaned after each use
- If using candles, ensure they are secured in a sturdy holder away from any combustible materials. Always extinguish the candle before leaving any room and going to bed.
- Space heaters to be placed at least 1 metre (3 feet) from any combustible material.

### Storage

- Storage areas to be kept neat and tidy.
- Do not block exit doors.
- Fire extinguisher to be accessible at all times.

### Electrical Equipment and Wiring

All electrical equipment must be approved and labelled by the Canadian Standards Association and / or Underwriters Laboratories of Canada.

- Do not use unsafe electrical appliances, frayed extension cords or over loaded outlets.
- Extension cords are designed for temporary use. If additional outlets are required, use a powerbar with a surge protector.
- Ensure no cords or wiring are running under rugs.
- All electrical items to be appropriately grounded. Any damaged or exposed wiring to be repaired immediately.

### Preparation of Foods

- **Do not attempt to cook while tired or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.**
- Avoid unsafe cooking practices:
  - Deep fat frying
  - Too much heat
  - Unattended stove
  - Loosely hanging sleeves
- The use of hot plates, grills and other electrical cooking appliances are not permitted in individual rooms.
- Food preparation only in areas approved and designed for cooking.

## Fire Extinguisher

- A fire extinguisher has been installed in the kitchen area.
- If required, only use the fire extinguisher:
  - Once you have called 9-1-1
  - If you are comfortable doing so
- Ensure your exit is always available
- Remember the acronym **PASS** – **P**ull the pin, **A**im at the base of the fire, **S**queeze the lever, **S**weep from side to side.

## Escape

In the event of a fire or smoke alarm activation, you must evacuate. If prepared, your escape will be quick and effective.

In case of fire:

- Stay calm
- Safely notify all occupants
- Leave the building
- Call 9-1-1

If you hear the smoke alarm or carbon monoxide alarm:

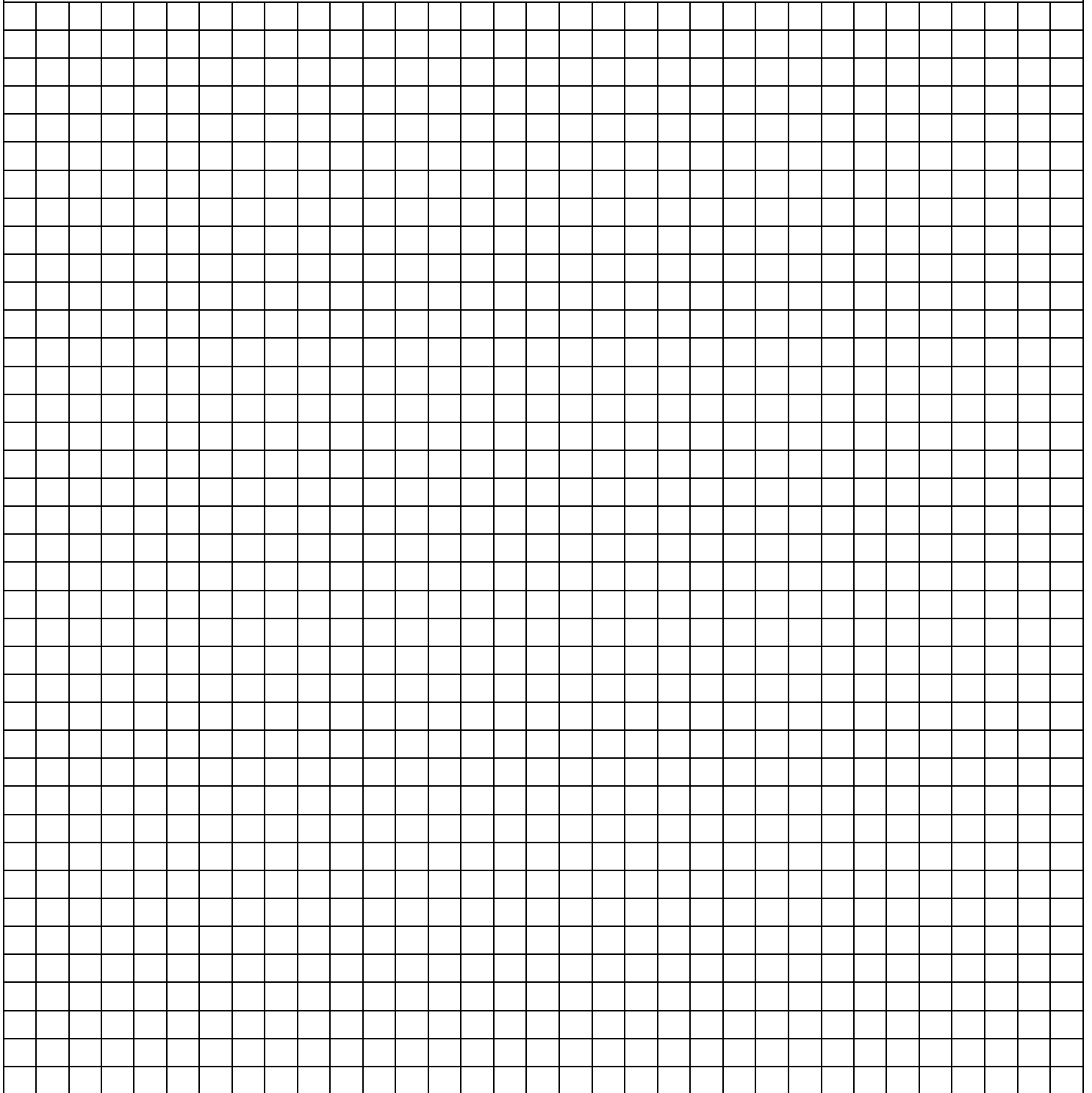
- Leave your personal belongings
- Feel the door before opening. If it is hot, do not open the door, use the window as your escape or call for help
- If the door is not hot, open it slowly and make your way to the nearest exit, crawling low if smoke is present.
- If your exit becomes unavailable, find a room to enter, if possible, call 9-1-1 to let them know your location, seal cracks in the door, breathe through a wet cloth if smoke is present.

## Floor Plans

On the following pages please draw a floor plan of your house.

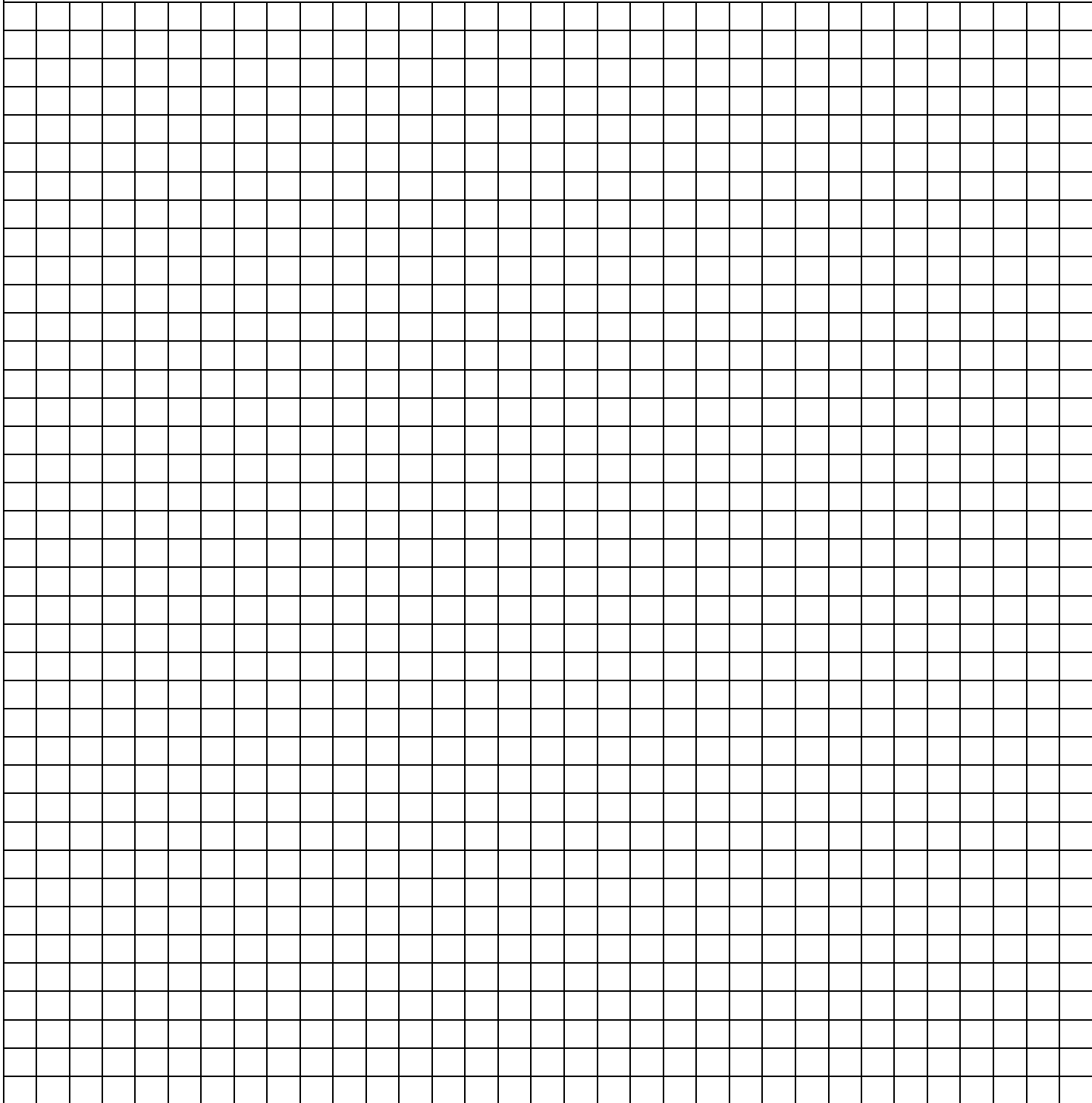
- Show two ways out of every room, if possible.
- Show all fire protection equipment (smoke alarms, carbon monoxide alarms, fire extinguisher).
- Show a meeting place (choose a spot in front of the house).

## Basement Floor Plan



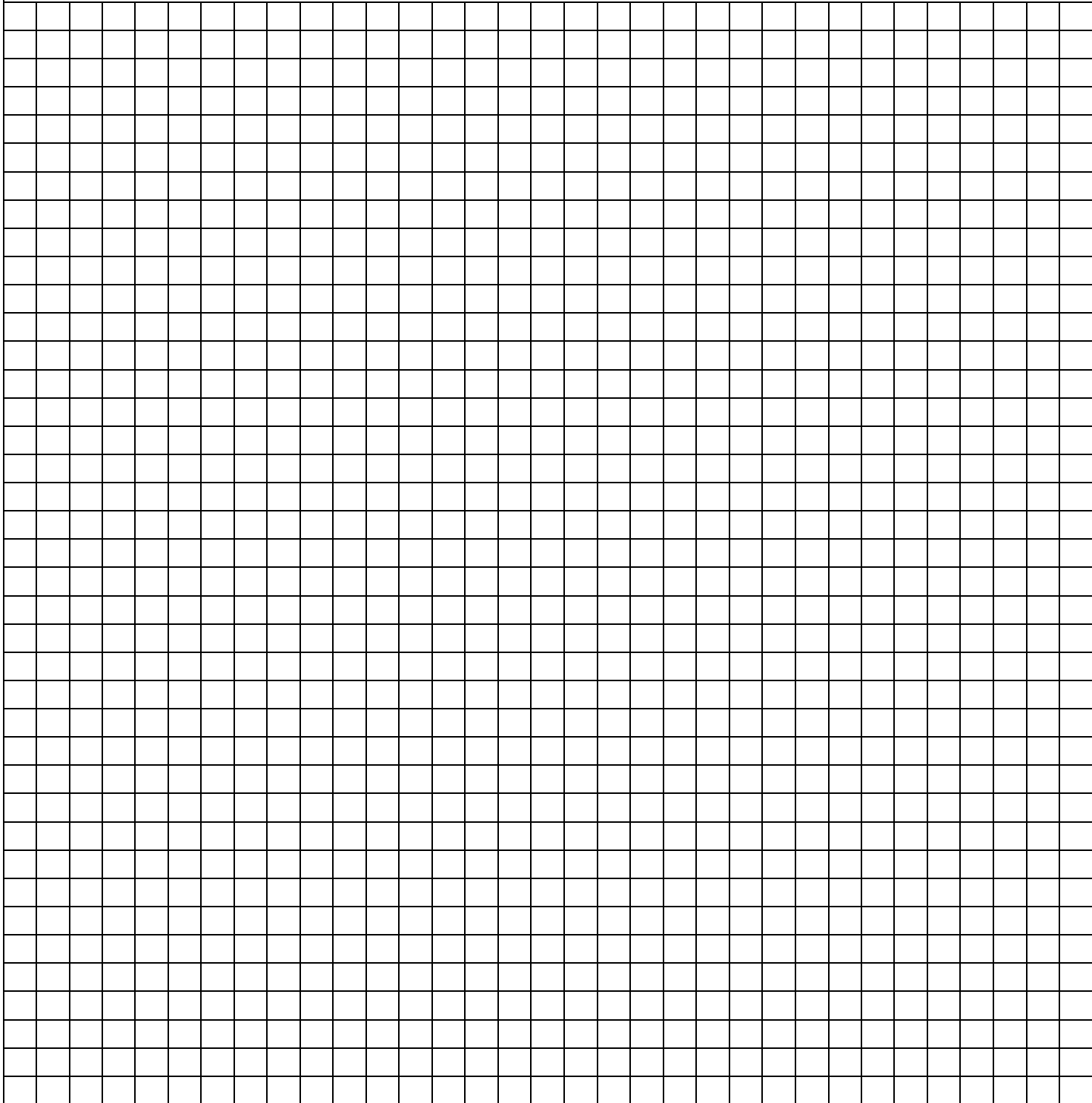
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