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Painting
Lesson Five: Painting Safety

Student Handouts

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LADDER AND SAFETY BASICS

1. Materials

fiberglass



wood



aluminum



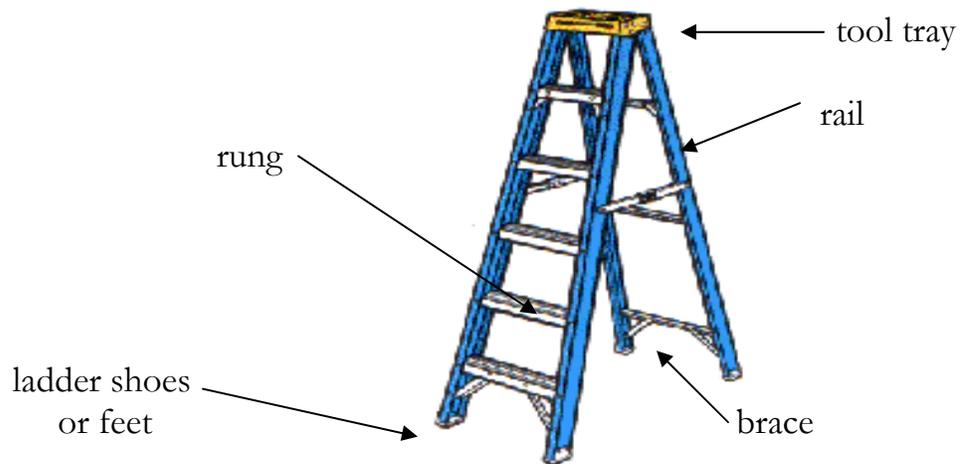
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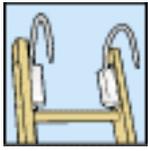
step-ladder
A-frame

platform

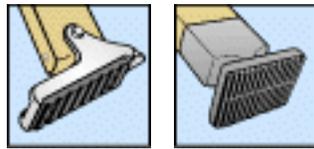
3. Parts



4. Safety Equipment and Supplies



roof hooks



ladder shoes



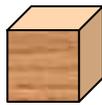
ladder mitts



safety stop



shim



block



stake



rope

5. Protective Clothing



coveralls



bib overalls



work pants



non-skid, work shoes with heel and rubber soles



painter's hat



safety glasses



dust mask



gloves





Activity #3: Ladder Safety Conversations

Handout A



Read the conversations on the left. Choose the correct sentence on the right to finish each conversation. Write the correct sentence on the line.

Example

Supervisor: This ladder isn't safe.

Put a block under it.

New painter: What's wrong with it?

Supervisor: It could slide.

New painter: Well, what do we do?

Supervisor: **Put ladder mitts on it.**

1. Supervisor: This ladder isn't safe.

Take it down when you are not using it.

New painter: What's wrong with it?

Supervisor: Some kids could get on it.

New painter: Well, what do we do?

Supervisor: _____

2. Supervisor: This ladder isn't safe.

Place it closer to the house.

New painter: What's wrong with it?

Supervisor: It could tip back.

New painter: Well, what do we do?

Supervisor: _____

3. Supervisor: This ladder isn't safe.

Tie it to the house.

New painter: What's wrong with it?

Supervisor: It's wet.

New painter: Well, what do we do?

Supervisor: _____

4. Supervisor: This ladder isn't safe.

~~Put ladder mitts on it.~~

New painter: What's wrong with it?

Supervisor: It's on uneven ground.

New painter: Well, what do we do?

Supervisor: _____

5. Supervisor: This ladder isn't safe.

Dry off the rungs.

New painter: What's wrong with it?

Supervisor: It's too far from the house. It can kick back.

New painter: Well, what do we do?

Supervisor: _____

Now practice these conversations with your partner.

Activity #3: Ladder Safety Conversations



Handout B



Look at the **An Unsafe Painting Job Site Handout**. Create 3 conversations between a safety supervisor and a new painter. Talk about what is unsafe. Talk about what **could** happen. Then give a suggestion to make the ladder or the area safer.

Example A

Supervisor: This ladder isn't safe.
 New painter: What's wrong with it?
 Supervisor: **It could slide side to side.**
 New painter: Well, what do we do?
 Supervisor: **Put ladder mitts on it.**

Example B

This ladder isn't safe.
 What's wrong with it?
Some kids could get on it.
 Well, what do we do?
Do not leave it up.
Take it down when you are not using it.

Useful Words for Safety Conversations

What could happen to a ladder?	What could happen to a person?	What can you do?	What can you use?
slide tip back tip over kick back fall fall over collapse	slip fall fall off get hurt hurt yourself	place allow put let remove use brace move clear dry off check get on get off keep	brace shim block safety stop ladder mitts roof hooks rope stake

**Write these conversations on your own paper.
 Then practice saying them with your partner.**