

I am going
to a fireworks
celebration.



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Fireworks are used all over the world to celebrate special occasions.

In the United States of America, the Fourth of July is one occasion where fireworks are used.



Families and friends often like to watch fireworks together.

Many towns have places where people gather to celebrate together. I can watch fireworks with my family, friends, and neighbors at a park or other gathering places. This can be fun.

I can ask to watch the fireworks with family and friends in places where it is less crowded.

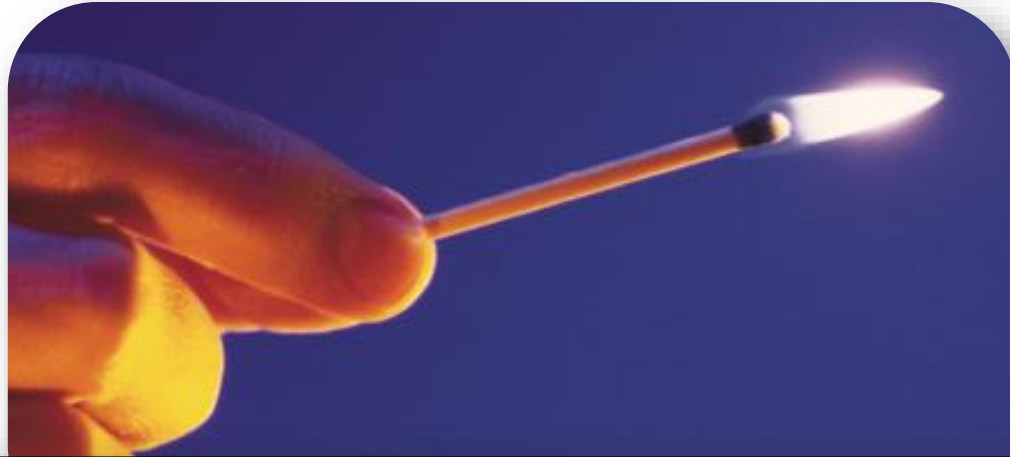


Fireworks are explosions of sparkling light in the sky at night. Fireworks come in many beautiful colors, sizes, and shapes.

Fireworks can appear like a surprise. This is O.K.

Some fireworks shoot up high in the sky. Others are lower to the ground.

After the fireworks light up in the sky, there is usually a loud boom. Sometimes there are rumbling and whistling sounds, too.



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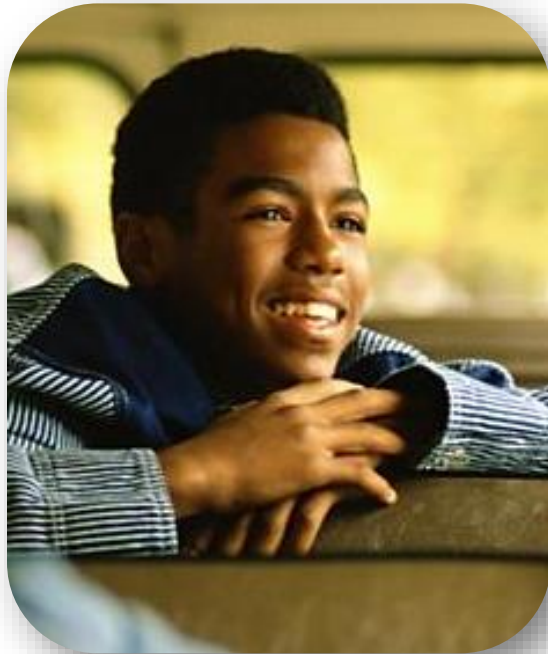
Fireworks are safe to watch, but should only be lit by experts.

I never light fireworks or use matches or lighters around fireworks.



If I don't like the sound, I can cover my ears with my hands or use ear muffs. I can also listen to my music using headphones.

If I don't like the bright, flashing lights, I can wear a cap so I don't see them. I can also cover my eyes or look away.



If I feel scared, I can hold a favorite toy or object to make me feel better. Once the fireworks are finished the noise and flashing lights will be over, too.

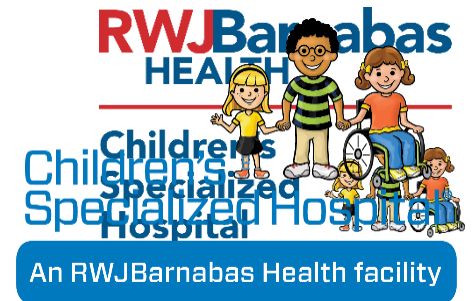
If I get very scared, I can ask someone for help.

If the fireworks bother me too much, I can ask to go inside a building or car so that the noise, lights, and vibrations don't bother me as much.



Sometimes there may be many fireworks in the sky at the same time. The last set of fireworks is usually the loudest. Many fireworks are lit together to light up the sky in many beautiful colors.

When the fireworks are over, people usually cheer and clap. I can clap too.



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