Home Hazard Hunt

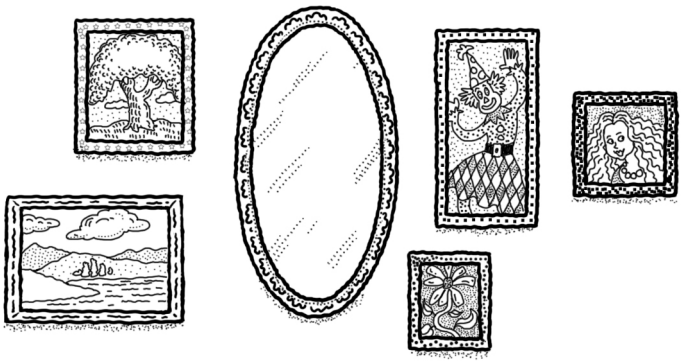
Name _____

Dear Parent or Guardian,

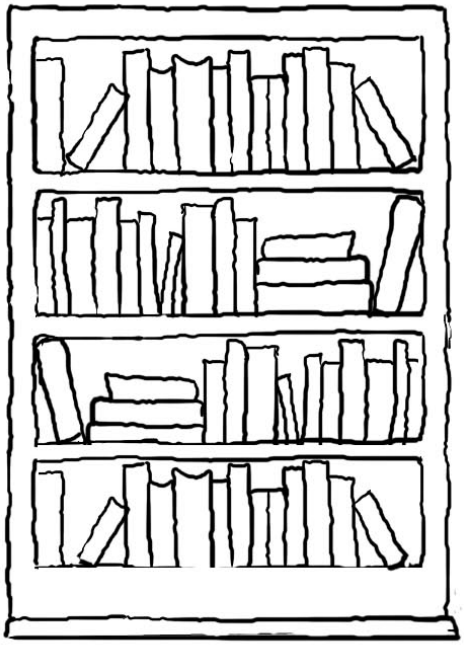
Anything that can move, fall, break or cause a fire could be a hazard during an earthquake. Imagine what would happen if you picked up each room in your home and shook it.

Think about where family members spend the most time and make sure these areas are safe from falling objects. Make sure exits are clear, too. Use the following pictures to help you consider the hazards you might find.

For more information, use the Earthquake Safety Checklist (from the *Masters of Disaster* CD-ROM, visit *www.redcross.org* or contact your local American Red Cross chapter.



Are mirrors or pictures hung away from beds and chairs? ☐



Are bookshelves fastened securely to the wall? ☐

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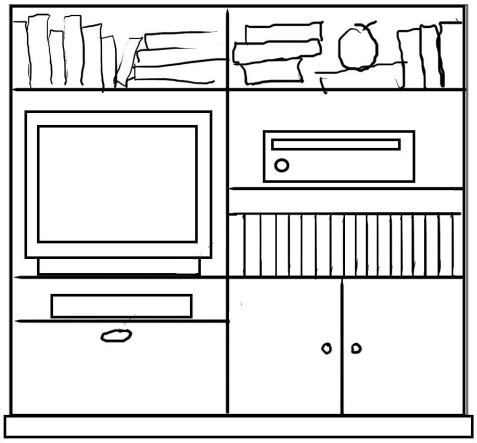
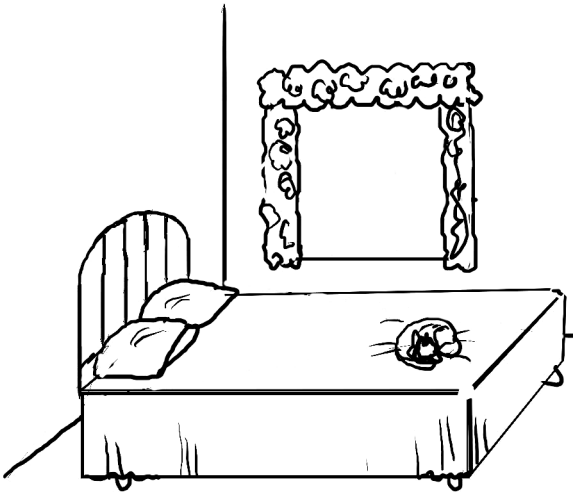


Are entertainment cabinets bolted to the wall and electronic equipment secure on the shelves and behind cabinet doors? ☐



Are beds or chairs a safe distance from big windows? ☐

Are there no heavy objects on shelves above beds or chairs? ☐

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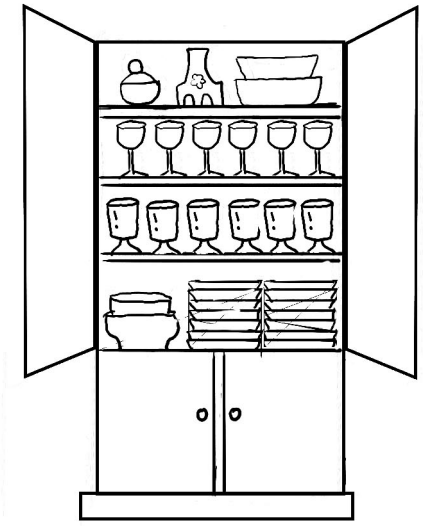
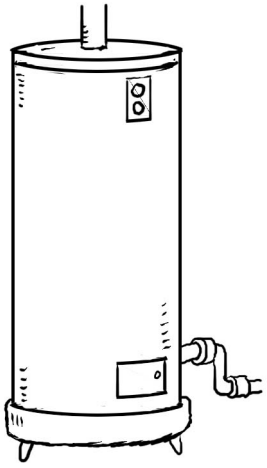


Are cabinets or cupboards fastened to the wall? Are the doors locked shut? ☐



Is the water heater secured to studs? ☐

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