

Workshop 2: When Disaster Strikes**Quick Project****Emergency Backpack!**

Natural disasters often occur without warning. Sometimes people have to leave almost everything behind!

Project: Your town has just been given a flood warning! You must evacuate! You have five minutes to pack your backpack! What will you bring with you? Create a packing list for your emergency backpack.

Procedure**1. Brainstorm what you might need.**

Keep in mind the following:

- You may not be able to cook or buy food.
- There may not be any electricity.
- It's possible that you or someone with you may need first aid.
- Your clothes might get wet.

2. Make a list.

List all the items you want to put in your emergency backpack.

3. Check your list.

Think about your backpack. How big is it? How much can you fit inside? Also think about how heavy your pack will be if you bring everything on your list. You might have to cross some items off your list. Choose carefully!

4. Present your work.

Compare your list with the lists of other students working on the same project. Are the lists the same? What's different? Explain why you decided to leave some things behind and include others.