

**Workshop 1: Fires Out of Control****Quick Project****Move It . . . NOW!**

*Fires can spread quickly and without warning. But you can do something to be prepared!*

**Project:** A fire has started at the edge of town! Everyone must leave their homes within ten minutes! You can carry only a backpack. What will you take? Make a list for this emergency.

**Procedure****1. Brainstorm.**

Jot down some notes about what you might need. Keep in mind the following:

- You or someone with you might need first aid.
- You might not be able to buy food or drinks for quite a while.
- You might need to stay overnight in a shelter.
- If the fire did spread to your home, is there any special *small* item you would really hate to lose?

**2. Make a list.**

Review your notes. Number the items in order of importance. Then make a list, starting with number one.

**3. Double check.**

Think about an actual backpack. How big is it? Can it hold all the items on your list? Will it be too heavy for you to carry? If so, what will you cross off the list?

**4. Present your work.**

Compare your list with the lists of other students working on this project. What is similar about the lists? What's different? Explain the reasons for your choices.