



AT SCHOOL

CLASSROOM

School should be a safe place where you can learn and have heaps of fun. But there are some hazards and it's important that you know about them.

ThinkSafe SAM will show you how to work safely in the classroom.

Watch out for the following common hazards in the classroom, especially if you are doing art, craft or science:

1. Things like paint, glue, science chemicals, white board cleaner and even some types of liquid paper are poisonous
2. Sharp objects like scissors, staplers, compasses and art cutters
3. Spills on the floor
4. School bags or things on the floor
5. Heaters
6. Rocking on your chair

Spot the hazard	Assess the risk	Make the changes
Things like paint, glue, science chemicals and white board cleaner	They could make you sick, hurt your eyes or cause skin burns or rashes	Follow your teacher's instruction about using them safely and put them away when not in use
Sharp objects like scissors, staplers, compasses and art cutters	They could cause nasty cuts	Use them safely for the intended purpose and put them away when not in use
Spills on the floor	You could slip, trip and fall and be bruised or break bones	Tell the teacher so spills can be cleaned up straight away and keep the area clear until it is dry
School bags or things on the floor	You could slip, trip and fall and be bruised or break bones	Don't leave things lying around - put them away
Heaters	You could get burnt and the heater could cause fires	Keep yourself and other things away from the heater
Rocking on your chair	You could fall off and hurt yourself	Don't rock on your chair – it's too risky

VERANDAHS AND CORRIDORS

Verandahs provide shelter and corridors let you get to classrooms and other rooms at school. But there are some hazards to look out for.

ThinkSafe SAM will show you how to spot hazards on the verandah and in the corridors. Watch out for the following hazards:

1. School bags and other things on the floor
2. Kids pushing and shoving
3. Kids running on the verandah or in the corridors
4. Broken rails on verandahs or steps and kids hanging off rails
5. Slippery floors, especially if it has been raining or there has been a spill

Spot the hazard	Assess the risk	Make the changes
School bags and other things on the floor	You could slip, trip or fall and hurt yourself	Put your school bag and other things away in the proper place
Kids pushing and shoving	It could result in nasty bruises or broken bones	Don't push or shove other kids
Kids running on the verandah or in the corridors	They could bang into each other or a bag being carried could hit and hurt someone	Look out for other kids and walk, don't run
Broken rails on verandahs and steps and kids hanging off rails	You could fall and bang your head or break bones	Don't hang off rails and tell your teacher about broken rails
Slippery floors, especially if it has been raining or there has been a spill	You could slip, trip or fall and be bruised or break bones	Keep away from wet floors and tell your teacher