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Mott Poll Questions



Babysitting

The following questions were answered by parents of children age 0-5 years.

Q1. How long does it take to get from your home to the nearest hospital emergency room?

- 1. Less than 15 minutes
- 2. 15-30 minutes
- 3. More than 30 minutes
- 4. More than an hour

Q2. Which of the following phone numbers are posted in an easy-to-see location in your home right now?

	Yes	No	Don't know
1. Doctor's office			
2. Poison Control			
3. Emergency contact (friend/family member)			
4. Parent cell/work number			
5. Hospital/ER			

The following questions were answered by adults without children 0-17 in their household.

Q3. Imagine you are on vacation with family and friends and you are asked to babysit a 3-year-old for a few hours. While you are making lunch, the 3-year-old burns her arm on a hot pan. The burned area is small – about the size of a penny.

What would you do immediately (in the first 5 minutes)?

- 1. Put something on the burned area
- 2. Call doctor's office for advice
- 3. Call 9-1-1
- 4. Take child to emergency room or urgent care

Q4. While you are eating lunch, the 3-year-old starts gasping for air and can't talk. You think she may be choking.

What would you do immediately (within first 1-2 minutes)?

- 1. Try to remove object from child's mouth
- 2. Hit child on the back
- 3. Turn child upside down
- 4. Have the child try to drink water
- 5. Do the Heimlich maneuver
- 6. Call 9-1-1
- 7. Take child to ER or urgent care

Q5. You see the 3-year-old on the floor with the contents of a purse dumped out, including a scattering of pills. You are concerned she has swallowed a pill.

What would you do immediately (within first 5 minutes)?

- 1. Try to make the child throw up
- 2. Try to remove pills from child's mouth
- 3. Call Poison Control
- 4. Call 9-1-1
- 5. Take child to ER or urgent care

Q6. What would be your biggest first aid fear when babysitting a 3-year-old?

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