

SAFETY SCENARIOS

Identify one way to improve the lighting conditions for each of the following scenarios.

1. Jaram entered the front door. The room was dark. He was staying at his friend's house for the weekend. His arms were full of suitcases and bags. He was feeling the wall for a light switch when he knocked something over. After feeling along the wall for several feet, he finally found a light switch, just a few feet from a steep flight of stairs.

SOLUTION: _____

2. When Ramona planned her new second story apartment, she forgot about any lighting for the outside. The night she moved in, she stumbled up the stairs and broke her arm.

SOLUTION: _____

3. Tevio wanted to buy a lamp that switched on when someone entered the room. He found the model he wanted, but could not find the UL seal or instructions anywhere on the lamp. It was made by a new company he had never heard of. The price was right, so he purchased the lamp.

SOLUTION: _____

4. Babs loved to go down in the cool, dark basement on hot summer afternoons. One day she fell asleep while reading. Upon waking, she found it was dark, except for the light from the small lamp she had been using to read. Babs turned it off and headed upstairs—carefully feeling her way. "Who planned such poor lighting. Doesn't everyone know that light switches should be at the top and bottom of the stairs?" she wondered.

SOLUTION: _____

5. Simon had just purchased new lights to enhance his sound system and was anxious to get it working. He unpacked box after box, soon realizing he would be short of outlets in which to plug all the electrical cords. After searching through the junk drawer, he found a couple of old multi-plug adapters. For just a second, he thought he might have overused the adapters, but he couldn't wait any longer to hear the sound system. He cranked it up and suddenly everything went dark.

SOLUTION: _____

6. Leezel loved her new reading lamp. It was just the style she had always wanted. The salesperson had explained that it adjusted to several different settings. Grabbing her book and plugging in the new lamp, she curled up in chair to read. Leezel switched the lamp on and nothing happened; then she realized that she had forgotten to put a light bulb in the socket. The salesperson had said the lamp required an unusual light bulb, but she couldn't remember what it was. She really didn't want to call the store and ask for help, but what else could she do?

SOLUTION: _____
