



## FIREFIGHTERS SAVE LIVES

Firefighters need protective clothes and equipment to breathe and keep from getting burned. Do not be afraid of firefighters just because of what they wear. As a Junior Fire Inspector, you can teach younger kids what firefighters wear and the kind of equipment they use.

### ACTIVITY

Invite firefighters to your school so that everyone can see their gear or take a tour of a fire station.

### FIRE FACTS

Did you know that a firefighter's gear (including the airpack) weighs 66 pounds?

In 1658, Governor Peter Stuyvesant selected men to patrol the streets of the colony that is now New York state and watch for fires. These men were called the "rattle watch" because they shook wooden rattles to alert people when a fire was found.