

## INTRODUCTION

The *Survival Signs Worksheets*, by PCI's Janie Haugen, give students the practice they need to become familiar with basic survival signs. Effective with students of all ages, the worksheets have detailed illustrations and large type for ease of reading. The easy-to-follow worksheet format helps visual learners and those with limited reading and/or comprehension skills learn to recognize the picture symbols and the written words on signs.

The worksheets are a great "hands-on" practice and review activity after covering PCI's 80 *Survival Signs Posters* and *Survival Signs Curriculum*. Divided into two sections, *Indoor Survival Signs* and *Outdoor Survival Signs*, the worksheets cover the signs in groups of five. This comprehensive program has 104 worksheets in each section.

The different types of worksheets are arranged in level of difficulty making the program an effective inclusion teaching tool for students with varying community survival skill knowledge. The *Survival Signs Worksheets* are arranged in four different formats: MATCH THE SIGN, CIRCLE THE SIGN, CIRCLE THE WORD AND COMPLETE THE SIGN.

**MATCH THE SIGN**—worksheets have the survival signs on them as a "helper" to guide students toward making correct answer choices. This exercise helps students learn to instantly recognize important survival signs when they see them at businesses and in the community.

**CIRCLE THE SIGN**—worksheets have students study a word or words to help them learn to "recognize" the survival words. This exercise helps prepare students for times when survival signs are presented as "words only" signs, without the aid of picture symbols.

**CIRCLE THE WORD**—worksheets display the survival signs with the core words removed allowing students to focus only on the picture symbols. This exercise helps prepare students for the times when survival symbols are presented as "symbols only", without the aid of words.

**COMPLETE THE SIGN**—worksheets have students choose the correct survival words from three choices and write the correct words on the corresponding sign. This writing assignment offers students a challenging and fun way to reinforce the meaning of important survival words.

At the end of each section of ten words, are SURVIVAL SIGNS REVIEW worksheets. These worksheets reinforce all survival signs covered to that point. The first three sets cover signs 1–10, 1–20, and 1–30. The final set of review worksheets cover all 40 signs in the section.

*Survival Signs Worksheets* used in combination with PCI's *Survival Signs Posters*, *Survival Signs Curriculum* and *Survival Signs Bingo*, gives instructors an assessment tool, teaching methods and materials, and reinforcement practice. The *Survival Signs* programs allow teachers to ascertain if students are learning and maintaining the meaning of 80 survival signs.

## GETTING STARTED

**1. CHOOSING SURVIVAL SIGNS WORKSHEETS:** Either of the two types of *Survival Signs Worksheets*, Indoor and Outdoor, can be presented first. If students will be going on community outings that focus on signs that are outside, begin with the Outdoor survival signs. If they will be visiting businesses, stores or malls that focus on inside signs, begin with Indoor survival signs.

**2. REVIEW CORRESPONDING SURVIVAL SIGNS POSTERS:** (Optional) Using PCI's *Survival Signs Posters and Curriculum*, review the signs to be covered such as survival signs 1–5 on the first section of worksheets. After students complete two sections of survival signs such as 1–10, review signs in random order by asking for volunteers to explain each sign.

*Note 1:* When reviewing Indoor Sign #8, "EXIT", please explain that the sign has been altered for this worksheet program. A picture symbol of a person leaving an area, has been added to assist students in recalling the name and meaning of the "EXIT" sign.

*Note 2:* When reviewing Outdoor Sign #29, "DEAF", please explain that the meaning of this sign is, School Crossing – Some Students Have Hearing Impairments.

*Note 3:* When reviewing Outdoor Sign #36, "XING", please explain that the meaning of this sign is, Accessible Street Crossing – For Persons With Physical Disabilities.

**3. BEFORE SESSION BEGINS:** Review the Table of Contents for the worksheet blackline masters on page 3 and decide which worksheets are appropriate for participants. Photocopy the selected worksheets.

*Note:* For some participants the assignment may be one or more worksheets, while for others, working an entire section of five survival signs may be appropriate.

**4. HAND OUT WORKSHEETS:** Give participants their worksheets. Ask them to write their names and the date on the top of all pages, or only on top of front page and staple the worksheets together. Everyone should have access to a sharpened pencil with a good eraser.

**5. REVIEW INSTRUCTIONS:** Read the instructions on the top of the worksheets aloud so participants will know how to complete the worksheets. Remind everyone to be careful when they finish one worksheet and begin the next as the directions on the four types of worksheets are different.

*Note:* If participants are working on different levels of the *Survival Signs Worksheets*, explain the instructions on an individual basis or in small groups.

**6. OBSERVE PARTICIPANTS:** Check participants' work, near the beginning of the session and periodically throughout, to make sure they understand how to complete the worksheets. Encourage everyone to work with as much independence as possible.

**7. REVIEW ANSWERS USING THE ANSWER KEY:** If all participants are working on the same level of worksheets, using the answer keys provided, read the correct answers aloud and have them check their own work.

If participants are working on various levels of *Survival Signs Worksheets*, review each person's work on an individual basis. Explain any wrong answers and ask him or her to correct them. Give assistance on an "as needed" basis only. Consider using peer tutors to help the participants check and correct their work if assistance is needed.






## EXAMPLES OF COMPLETED “INDOOR” SURVIVAL SIGNS WORKSHEETS

### Match the Sign

Indoor Signs: Numbers 1-5

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Match each sign to the correct word on the right by drawing a line from the sign to the word or words.

ACCESSIBLE

ASK FOR RESTROOM KEY

CLOSED

DO NOT TOUCH

AUTOMATIC DOOR

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**MATCH THE SIGN**

### Circle the Sign

Indoor Signs: Numbers 1-5

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the sign that is best described by the word or words to the left.

1. ACCESSIBLE   
2. ASK FOR RESTROOM KEY   
3. AUTOMATIC DOOR   
4. CLOSED   
5. DO NOT TOUCH   

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**CIRCLE THE SIGN**

### Circle the Word

Indoor Signs: Numbers 1-5

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the word or words on the right that best completes each sign.

1.  AUTOMATIC DOOR ASK FOR RESTROOM KEY 
2.  DO NOT TOUCH  AUTOMATIC DOOR
3.  CLOSED DO NOT TOUCH 
4.   CLOSED ACCESSIBLE
5.  CLOSED ASK FOR RESTROOM KEY 

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**CIRCLE THE WORD**

### Complete the Sign

Indoor Signs: Numbers 1-5



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_


Fill in the blank on each sign with the correct word or words from the list at the top of the page.

ASK FOR RESTROOM KEY

AUTOMATIC DOOR

DO NOT TOUCH



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**COMPLETE THE SIGN**