

**COUNTY**

**Family Instructions for Rapid Escape**



**COMICS**

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**FIRE!**



**12 PAGES OF  
COLORING  
FUN!**



# DEAR KIDS AND PARENTS,

IF THERE WAS A FIRE IN YOUR HOME, WOULD YOU KNOW THE BEST WAY TO ESCAPE? IN MOST HOUSE OR APARTMENT FIRES, A PROPERLY PREPARED AND MAINTAINED WINDOW CAN PROVIDE THE QUICKEST, SAFEST, AND MOST IMMEDIATE WAY OUT.

THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT FOUNDATION, IS PLEASED TO OFFER THIS COLORING BOOK. AND THE FAMILY INSTRUCTIONS FOR RAPID ESCAPE (F.I.R.E.) GUIDE, SO FAMILIES CAN MAKE THEIR HOMES "F.I.R.E." READY AND LEARN HOW TO SAFELY ESCAPE.

REMEMBER, DO NOT WAIT FOR FIRE TO STRIKE TO THINK ABOUT ESCAPE. PLANNING AHEAD CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE!

STAY SAFE,

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Lucas had a good day at school!



Today, they learned about fire safety.

Firefighter Tracy gave the kids a booklet to take home to their family.



It explains how to make their home "fire ready".

**READY?**

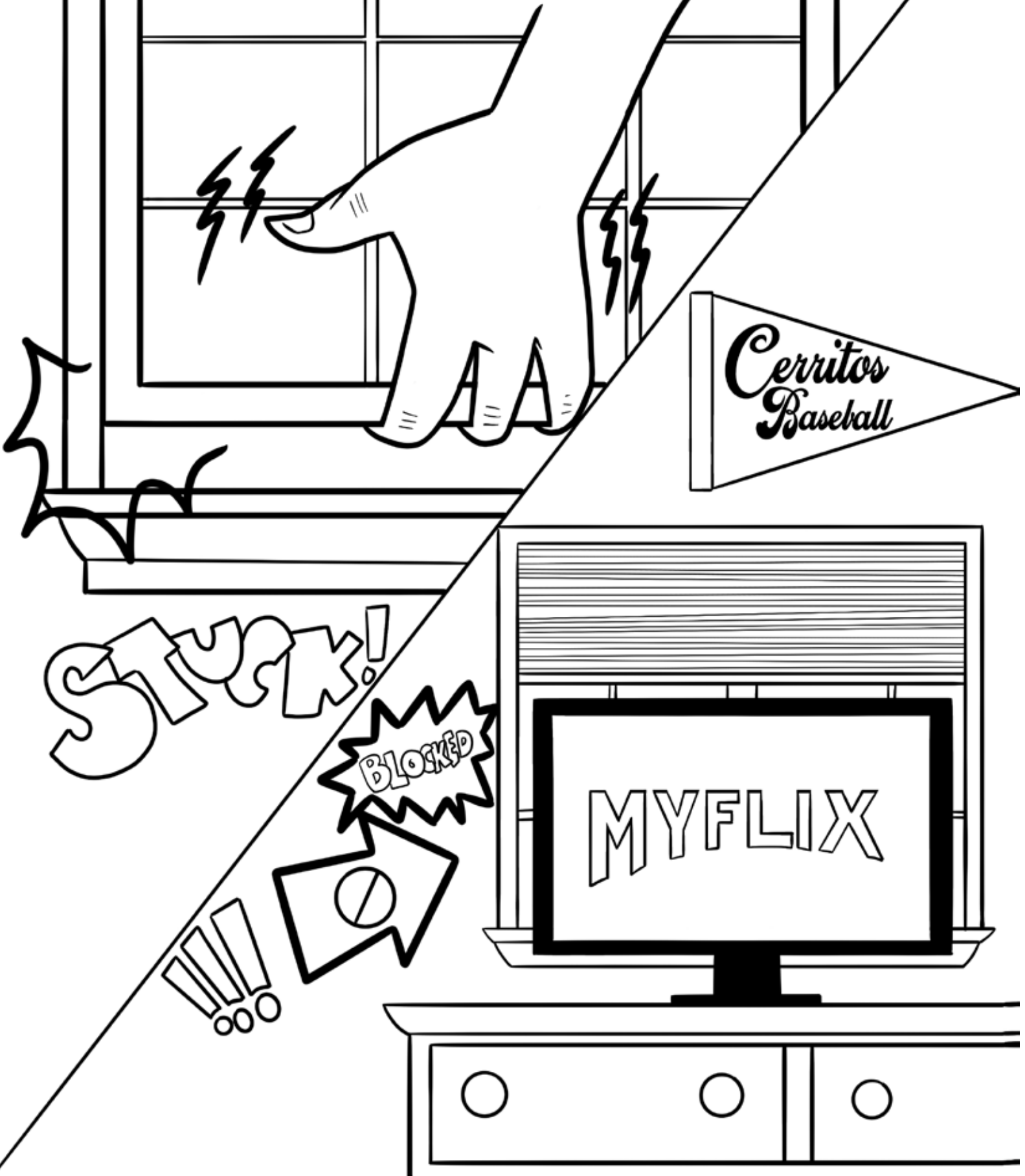


**Lucas and the family looked at all the windows and doors in the house.**



**The doors worked just fine...**

But some of the windows were stuck or blocked!



*Cerritos  
Baseball*

MYFLIX

BLOCKED

STUCK!

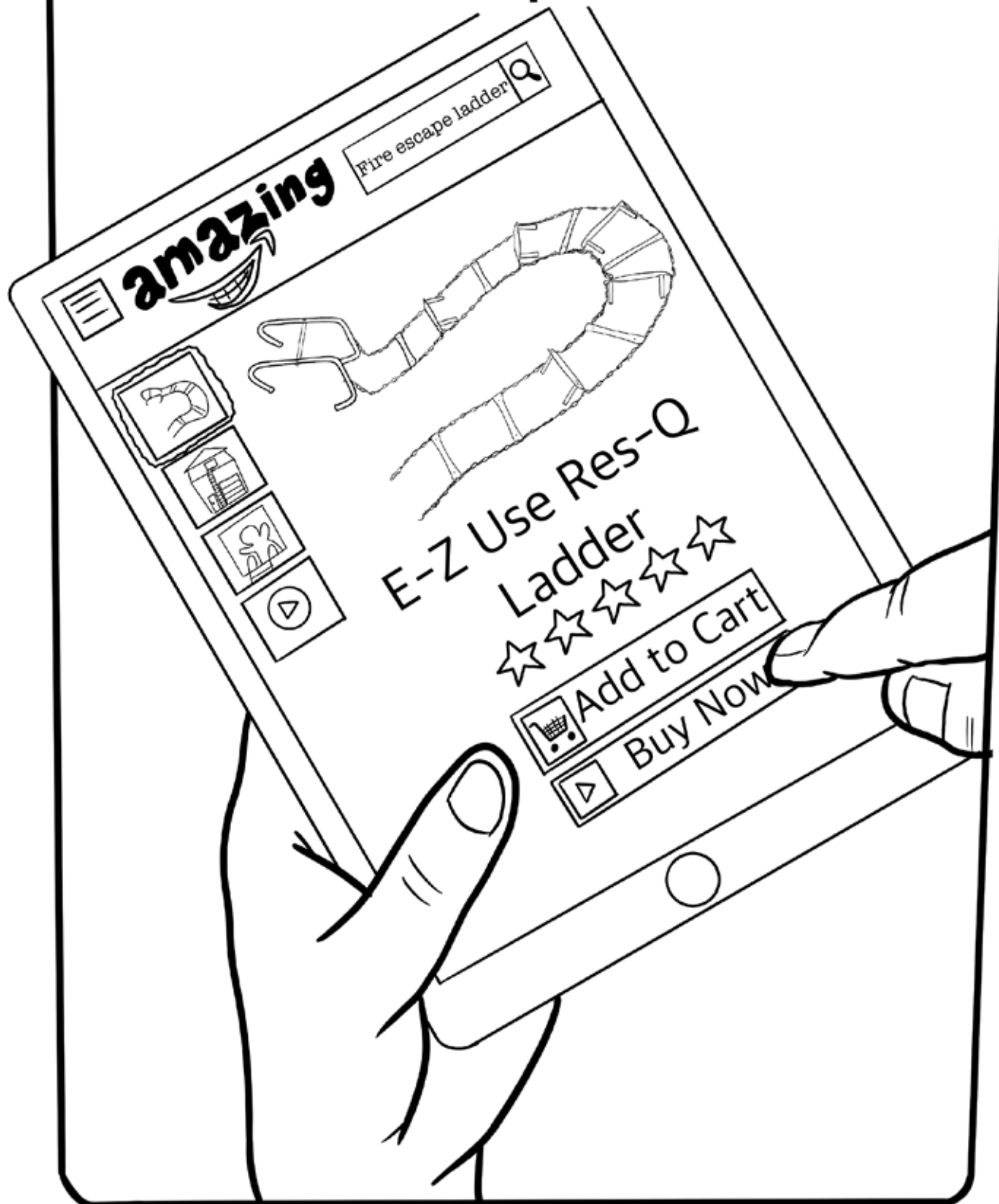
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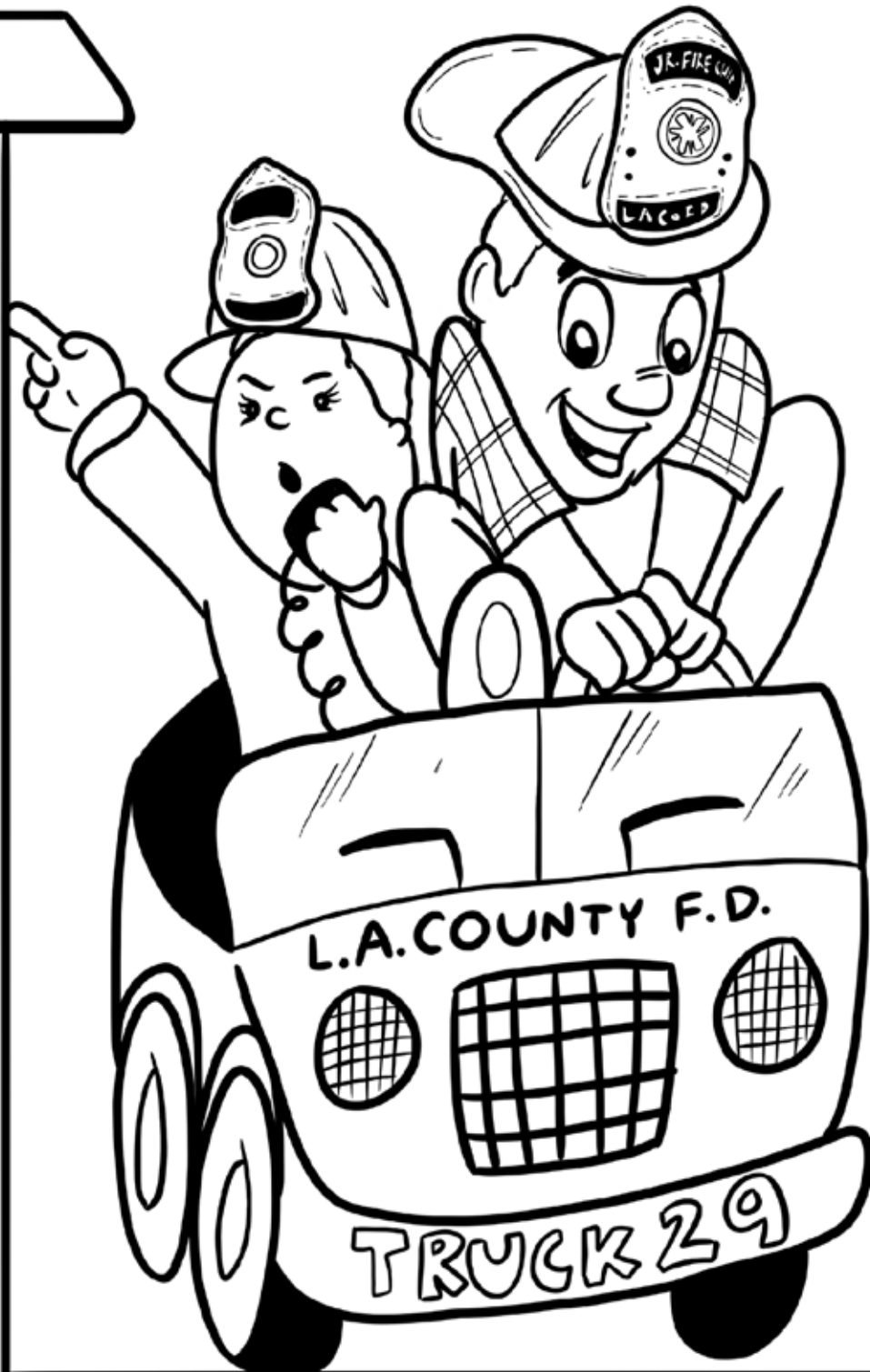




Lucas' family made sure they had fire escape ladders.



**SET!**



Then, they practiced a fire drill.



Lucas got to climb down the ladder.



They also pretended to crawl low under smoke...



just in case they had to escape out a door.

# Lucas reminded the family what to do if there was a real fire:

Get out fast! Do not stop to get anything.



Your window may be the quickest and safest way out.



If you use your door, stay low, under the smoke.



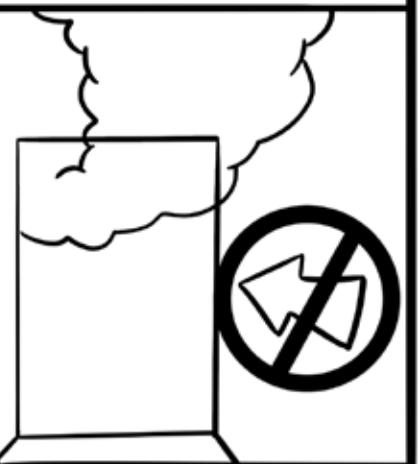
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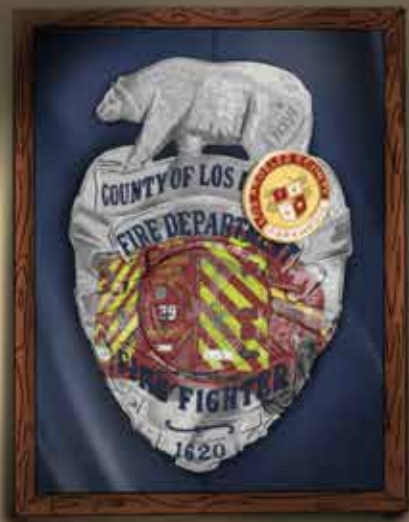


Call 9-1-1.



And never go back in.





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# FAMILY INSTRUCTIONS FOR RAPID ESCAPE F.I.R.E.







## YOUR “F.I.R.E. READY” CHECKLIST

- CHECK ALL WINDOWS AND DOORS TO MAKE SURE THEY OPEN EASILY AND CAN BE USED FOR RAPID ESCAPE
- REPAIR ANY DAMAGED WINDOWS OR DOORS AND REMOVE ANY OBSTRUCTIONS
- HAVE A COLLAPSIBLE ESCAPE LADDER FOR WINDOWS ABOVE THE FIRST FLOOR.
- TEST ALL SMOKE ALARMS TWICE A YEAR.
- HAVE A PRE-ARRANGED MEETING PLACE OUTSIDE.
- PRACTICE YOUR EXIT DRILL WITH YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY.
- USE THE SAFEST ESCAPE ROUTE AVAILABLE, BUT REMEMBER THAT YOUR WINDOW MAY ACTUALLY BE YOUR SAFEST, QUICKEST WAY OUT.**
- STAY LOW IN SMOKE.



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