Little By Little Kindergarten/Grade 1 Safety All Around

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Personal Safety

Guns are not Toys

Objective:

To teach children about the danger of playing with guns.

Materials:

- Picture of gun (Page 6)
- Guns Are Not Toys Activity Sheet (Page 7)

Preparation:

• Run off copies of Activity Sheet.

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Introduction:

- Show them the picture of the gun.
- Ask the following questions:
 - 1. Do you know what this is?
 - 2. Is it something you want to play with?
 - 3. Can it hurt you?
- Explain guns are very dangerous and are never to be touched.
- Tell them guns will hurt them and they should stay away from them at all times.
- Let them know if they see a gun, they must run and tell a grown-up.

Activity:

• Have children take turns role-playing the following scenarios.

You find a gun in your parent's bedroom
What do you do? Don't touch the gun! Run and tell your parent!

When playing at a friend's house, he shows you a gun.
What do you do? Don't touch the gun! Tell your friend not to touch the gun!
Run and tell a grown-up!

You are playing in the park, and you find a gun. What do you do? Don't touch the gun! Run and tell a grown-up!

Closing Activity:Review the lesson.

- Have children repeat what they must do if they see a gun. Don't touch the gun! Run and tell a grown-up!
- Give each child a copy of the Guns Are Not Toys Activity Sheet (Page 7) and have them write: "See a gun and run. Don't touch the gun."
- Color the gun.

Follow-Up Activity:

- Invite a police officer to speak about gun safety.
- Have children draw a picture of a gun, then draw a circle with a line across indicating "No" to guns.

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• Send the pictures home with the children.



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Family Page Guns are not Toys

Dear Parents,

Today, we learned about Gun Safety. It is important to discuss gun safety with your child. If you own a gun, you should keep it in a place your child cannot reach. Do not keep it loaded and make sure the safety lock is on.

Your child has learned: If you see a gun...

Don't touch the gun! Run and call a grown-up.

Have your child tell you what he knows about gun safety.

Hang up the "do not touch" gun picture your child brought home.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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