In the story ‘Charlie the Firefighter’, the children visit a fire station. Draw some flames on the ground outside using chalk. Then, squirt them with water, using a hose or a squeezy bottle. Can you put the fire out and remove the chalk flames?

Imagine you had to call the fire brigade. Would you know which number to call? Practise calling 999 on a pretend phone, then practise giving them the information they would need.

In the story, the children think about the jobs that they would like to do when they are grown-ups. What job would you like to do? Can you pretend to do this job? If you have some dressing-up clothes, you could dress up too.

Can you make a fire painting? Can you paint red flames? Can you paint yellow flames? Can you make orange flames by mixing the yellow and red?

Do you have a smoke alarm in your home? Talk with a grown-up about how this keeps you safe. Maybe you could ask a grown-up to test the smoke alarm so you could hear the noise that it makes.

There are 8 fires and then 2 more fires start. Charlie the Firefighter is coming to put them out. How many fires are there altogether? You might like to draw a picture to find the answer.