



## Be a Gas Safety Whiz Kid!

### Here's How...

Although Sniffy reminds you to "Smell Gas? Act FAST!," there are actually **THREE** ways to detect a gas leak (smell is the most common):

- **SMELL** — To help you SMELL a leak, gas companies add a chemical that smells like rotten eggs.
- **SEE** — Near a leaking gas pipeline, you might SEE blowing dirt, water with bubbles in it or an area of dead plants surrounded by live ones.
- **HEAR** — A leaking pipeline, appliance or propane storage tank or cylinder might make a hissing sound you can HEAR.

*This safety awareness message is brought to you by the Maryland Gas Operators Advisory Committee.*

### If you **EVER** smell, see or hear a gas leak:

1. Tell a grown-up right away!
2. Leave the area quickly and don't touch or use anything electric on your way out—not even a light switch or telephone.
3. Don't return until the gas company says it's safe.

