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**SAFETY
WITH THE
MUPPETS**



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The Muppets have been learning safety rules during science class. Read the paragraphs below to find the broken safety rules and underline each one & number each one. Then in the box on the right hand side, write what rule they are breaking.

Kermit and Animal were thrilled when Professor Honeydew told the class that they were going to do a chemistry lab. Professor Honeydew warned them to be careful and reminded them to follow the safety rules they had learned in science class as well as all the lab directions. The teacher passed out the materials and provided each person with an experiment book. Kermit and Gary flipped through the lab directions and set it aside without reading it. They had looked at the pictures – they thought that they had it covered. Since the teacher did not tell them to wear the safety goggles, they left them on the table. Kermit lit the alcohol burner and then reached across the flame to get a test tube from Beaker. In the process, he knocked over a bottle of the mystery substance and a little bit splashed on Beaker.

Kermit poured some of the substance into a test tube and began to heat it. When it started to bubble he looked into the test tube to see what was happening and pointed it towards Animal so he could see. Animal thought it smelled weird so he took a deep whiff of it. He didn't think it smelled poisonous and tasted a little bit of the substance. They were worried about running out of time, so they left the test tube and materials on the table and moved to a different station to try another experiment.

Animal didn't want to waste any time reading the directions, so he put on some safety goggles and picked a couple different substances. He tested them with vinegar (a weak acid) to see what would happen even though he didn't have permission to experiment on his own. He noticed that one of the substances did not do anything, but the other one fizzed. He also mixed two substances together to see what would happen, but didn't notice anything. He saw Kermit heating something in a test tube and decided to do that test. He ran over to that station and knocked over a couple bottles that Kermit had left open. The glassware fell to the floor and shattered. Animal took his foot and shoved them under the counter.

After cleaning up the spills, he read the directions and found the materials he needed. He lit the Bunsen burner and used tongs to hold the test tube over the flame. He forgot to move his notebook away from the flame and almost caught it on fire.

Before they could do another experiment, the bell rang and they rushed to put everything away. Since they didn't have much time, Animal didn't clean out his test tube before putting it in the cabinet. Kermit noticed that he had a small cut on his finger, but decided he didn't have time to tell the teacher about it. Kermit also wanted to do an experiment at home, so he pocketed a vial of pH paper so he could test for acids & bases at his house. Since they were late, they skipped washing their hands and hurried to the next class.

What the Muppets did...	How are they breaking a safety rule?