

What a Character!

Name: _____

Sparky the Fire Dog® — What a Character!

Read each passage and select the character trait from the Word Bank that best describes Sparky in "The Case of the Missing Smoke Alarms." Use each word only once. Be prepared to share evidence for your choice.

Word Bank

Selfish

Confused

Protective

Forgiving

Silly

1. _____ "Aunt Dotty has been busy planning the grand opening. We need to stop by her house to pick up the cake and balloons," said Sparky, gesturing to a big house in front of them.
2. _____ "I bet Aunt Dotty has the best smoke alarms in town," Nina giggled. "Beep, Beep, Beep!" the kids all shouted. Sparky nodded his head, "You got it, Nina. Glad to hear you all know what a smoke alarm sounds like."
3. _____ As the intruder ran down the street, something fell out of his bag and clattered on the pavement. Sparky hurried and picket the object off the ground. He held the item up for the kids to see. "It's a smoke alarm!" he growled
4. _____ "We all need smoke alarms in our homes," Sparky said. "They let us know if there's a fire."
5. _____ "Jerome, you're a brilliant inventor," said Sparky, "but you've got a lot to learn about fire safety." "Oh gosh," said Jerome. "I was so busy inventing I forgot about the most important stuff!" "I think you learned your lesson," said Sparky. "But never forget: Every home needs working smoke alarms! Now, how about giving us a ride?"

BONUS: List three key details about smoke alarms presented in the story:

- _____
- _____
- _____



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