CPSC Carbon Monoxide Safety Tips

Have your home heating systems (including chimneys and vents) inspected and serviced annually by a trained service technician.

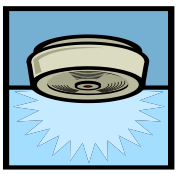
Never use portable generators inside homes or garages, even if doors and windows are open. Use generators outside only, far away from the home.

Never bring a charcoal grill into the house for heating or cooking. Do not barbeque in the garage.

Never use a gas range or oven for heating.

Open the fireplace damper before lighting a fire and keep it open until the ashes are cool. An open damper may help prevent build-up of poisonous gases inside the home.

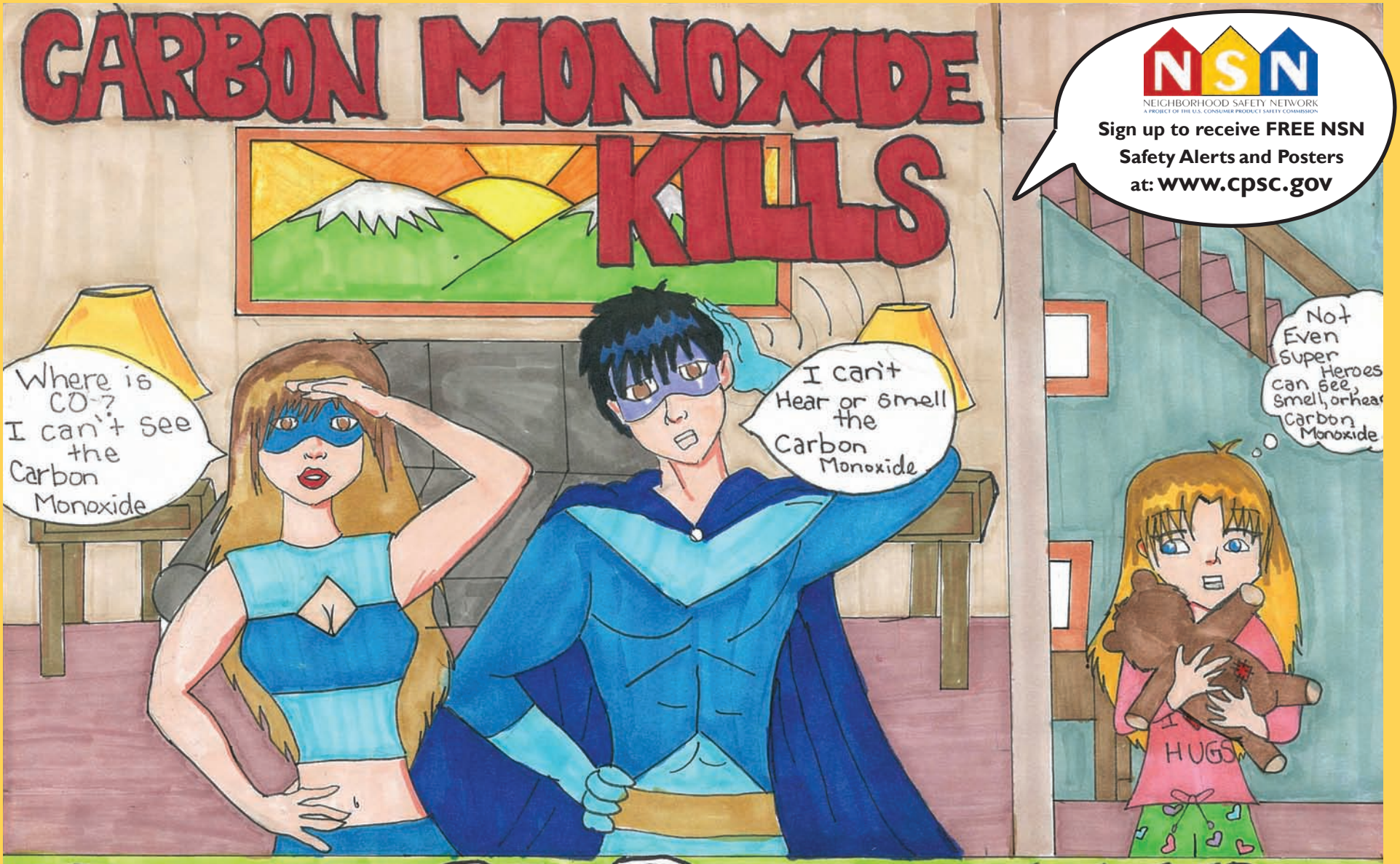
Install battery-operated CO alarms or CO alarms with battery backup in your home outside separate sleeping areas.



Know the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning: headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, sleepiness, and confusion.

If you suspect CO poisoning,
Get outside to fresh air immediately, and then call 911.

CARBON MONOXIDE KILLS



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