

HEALTH AND SAFETY

- Read this work safety notice and answer the questions on the next page.

NOTICE TO ALL CONSTRUCTION WORKERS

SAFETY IN THE WORKPLACE

When handling or carrying materials on site always be careful. Carelessness and inattention leads to accidents.

Look out for sharp edges, splinters and nails. Pull out or hammer in any protruding nails before you pass on any material to another person or throw it out for scrap.

Don't try to carry a load that you cannot see over. When lifting heavy objects, get help if the load is heavy or awkward.

When carrying tools or goods, carry them carefully in a way that is safe to yourself and others. Cutting tools should be carried with the edges protected.

Many liquids are carried in drums, and other containers. Some liquids can be inflammable, corrosive or poisonous, so all containers should be treated with caution. Even if empty, assume that they are dangerous unless you know definitely that the material they contain is harmless.

1. Why do accidents happen when workers are carrying materials?

2. What should be done with protruding nails?

3. What advice is given for carrying heavy objects?

4. When carrying tools what precautions should be taken?

5. How are liquids stored?

6. Why are some liquids dangerous?

7. What advice is given about carrying containers?

Vocabulary study

Task 1

Find words and phrases in the text that have the **same meaning** as the words below.

1. negligence _____
2. jutting out/sticking out _____
3. fragments/ slivers of wood _____
4. clumsy _____
5. fluids _____
6. combustible/ignitable _____
7. caustic/acidic _____
8. toxic _____
9. care _____
- 10 safe/risk-free _____

Task 2

Use these words and phrases from the text in new sentences.



Task 3

With a partner or a group of students, create the following Health and Safety work notice.

Notice for workers who are employed in the kitchen of a hotel advising them about equipment that they should be careful with and also about hygiene.