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Notes: Care and caution should always be practiced when using tools and methods for survival. The answers to the mathematics problems posed throughout the book are provided on page 48.

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In a Cold, Dark World

What do you think it would be like to suddenly have the world go dark? All the modern inventions you expect to easily use—lights, cell phones, computers—suddenly stop working. It is hard to imagine such an extreme situation as being somewhere with no phone, no electricity, and no Internet.

Consider what you might need to survive such a scenario. It is always good to be prepared for anything that could happen. If the world suddenly goes dark for a long period of time, you may start looking for the basic necessities to survive. Heat and light are important for survival, but where would you find heat and light in an emergency?



The skills needed to survive a serious emergency do not require heroic acts or great physical strength. The skills you need to stay alive will work if you keep calm and make good choices. You need to know about the environment you are in when disaster strikes. How can that environment help you? What challenges do you need to overcome? Facing a tough situation with determination will help you stay alive!

Trying It Out

You can take a survival class and practice different ways to stay alive. The Boulder Outdoor Survival School claims to be the oldest survival school in the world. You can learn how to make rope, start a fire, build a shelter, and identify **edible** plants.

Practice Carefully!

To be prepared for a disaster, you may want to practice some of the fire-starting suggestions in this book. Always make sure an adult is present to help, and only practice under safe conditions! Fire is not a toy and must be respected.

