



# SEND PESTS PACKING



Sandra, Tony, and Mary show you how!

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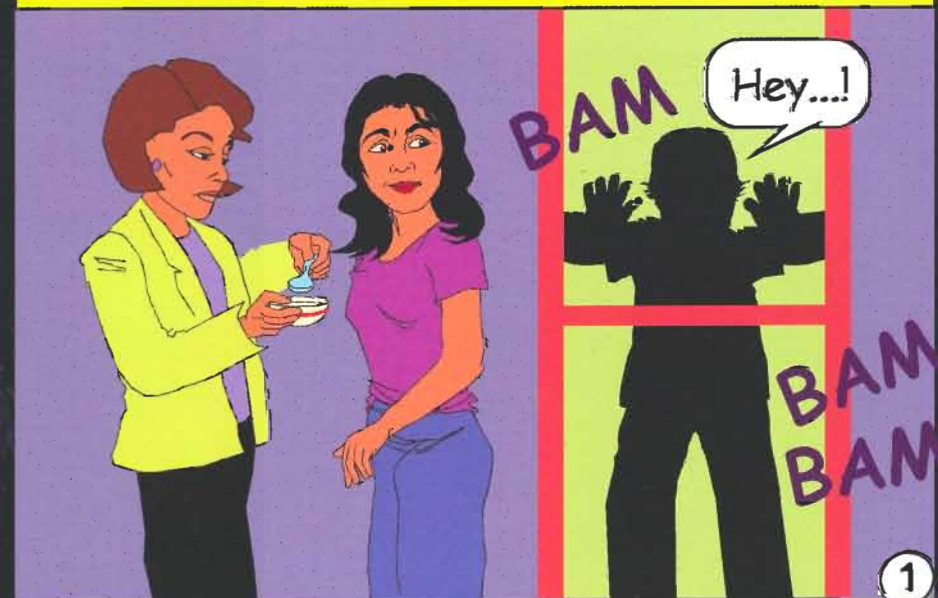
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*Mary and her friend Sandra are in Mary's kitchen.*



*Suddenly, there is a noise at the back door.*



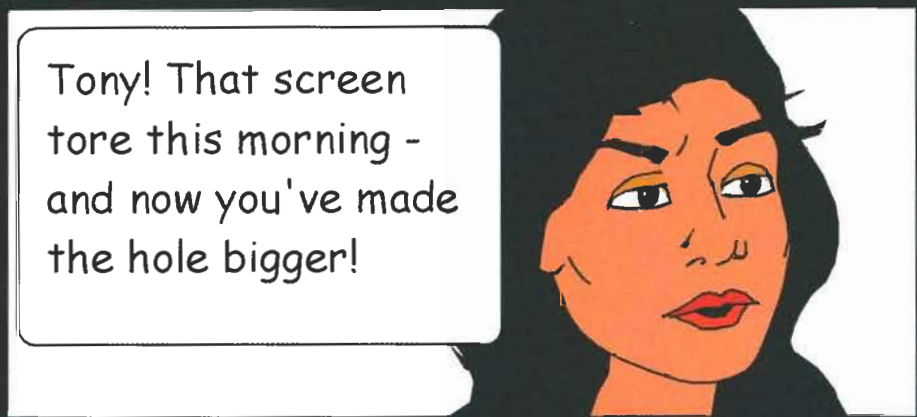




...Tony...

Hey, Mary!

No use trying to keep me out!



Tony! That screen tore this morning - and now you've made the hole bigger!



Mary, I need to borrow some pesticide, and lots of it!



What are you trying to do?

I need to kill some bugs, and I don't want to do it halfway.

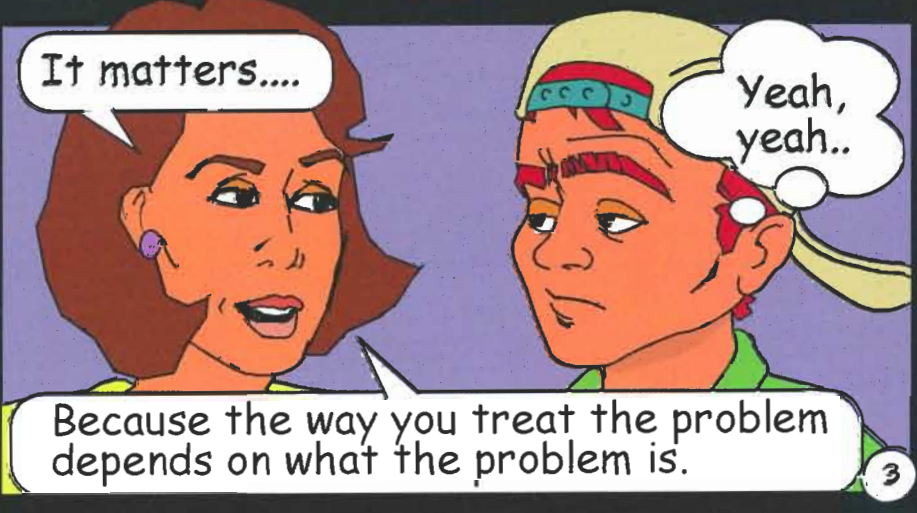
What kind of bugs are they?

Just bugs!

...little brown buggers...

Six legs ...maybe eight...

What does it matter?



It matters....

Yeah, yeah..

Because the way you treat the problem depends on what the problem is.



She knows what she's talking about!

Sandra's a Health Advisor!

You have to find out what kinds of pests you have and where they live.

OK. Then what? How do you get RID of them?

Here are three of the best ways to get rid of pests:

## STARVE THEM OUT

Mary, how about some of that rice pudding?

Forget it.

OW!

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## How to STARVE OUT PESTS:



Put food away in sealed containers.



Clean up spills of food and water.



And cover the trash can with a tight lid! You told me that, Sandra!



Another thing: Don't leave bowls of pet food out overnight.

... Maybe I could keep my place a little cleaner ...



Starve 'em out, hunh? OK, what's another way?



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To get rid of pests:  
**DRY THEM OUT**



Insects need water, just like we do.

Mary, give me a soda!



Here, you can have a glass of water.



Rats and mice -- they need water, too.

So we make it hard for them to get it!



Fix leaky pipes.



Fix leaky faucets.

Finally: **KEEP THEM OUT**

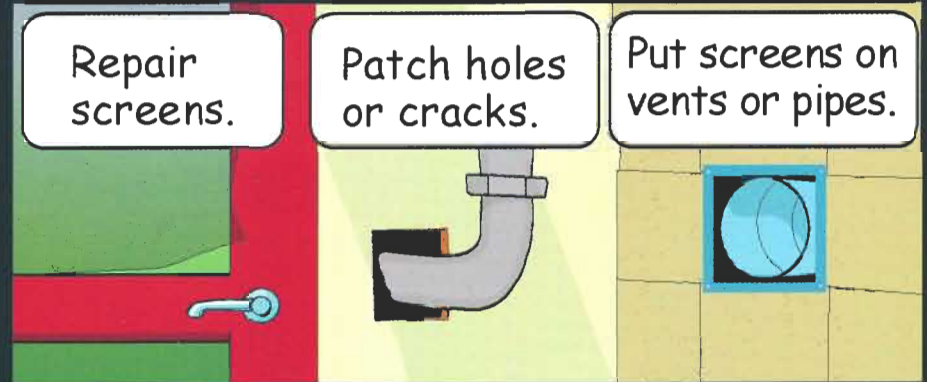


That's right. Drive pests out of your house -- then **KEEP** them out!

Repair screens.

Patch holes or cracks.

Put screens on vents or pipes.



All right: **STARVE THEM OUT, DRY THEM OUT, KEEP THEM OUT!**

But they're in my house **NOW** and I'm going to kill them!



What do you have that I can use?

First, let's learn about the insects that you want out of your house.



If you have to use pesticides, you should try traps first.



Tony's house -- a few days later. He has used traps.

OK... These traps have killed all the ants....



AIEEEEE!

I've still got cockroaches!



If traps don't do the job, try sprays next!



Use bombs only as a last step before calling a pest control professional.



All right, you miserable bugs, you've had it!

TONY!  
Did you read the instructions?

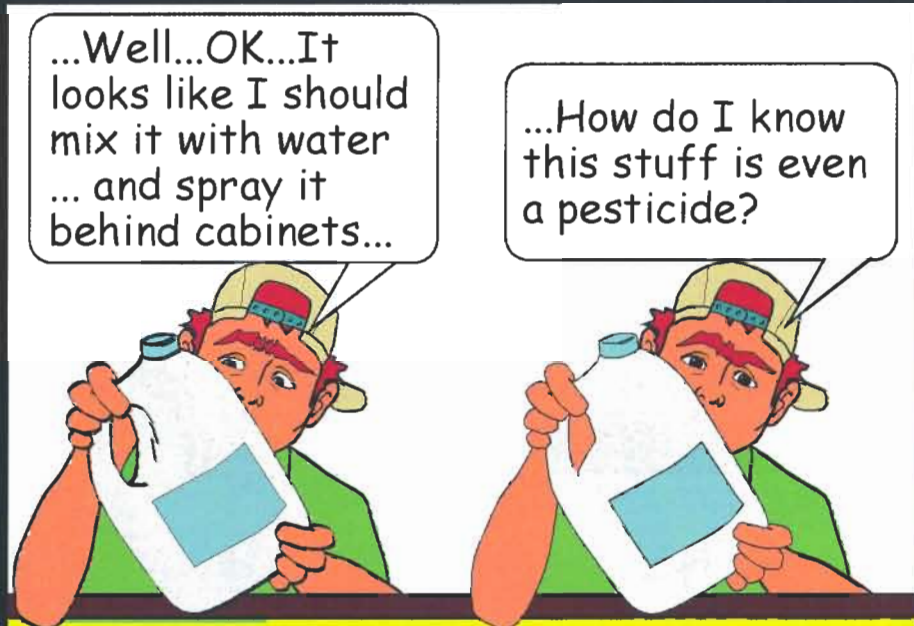


Well, I'm going to spray this stuff EVERYWHERE, and it'll kill ALL of them!





Read the label, Tony!




...Well...OK...It looks like I should mix it with water ... and spray it behind cabinets...

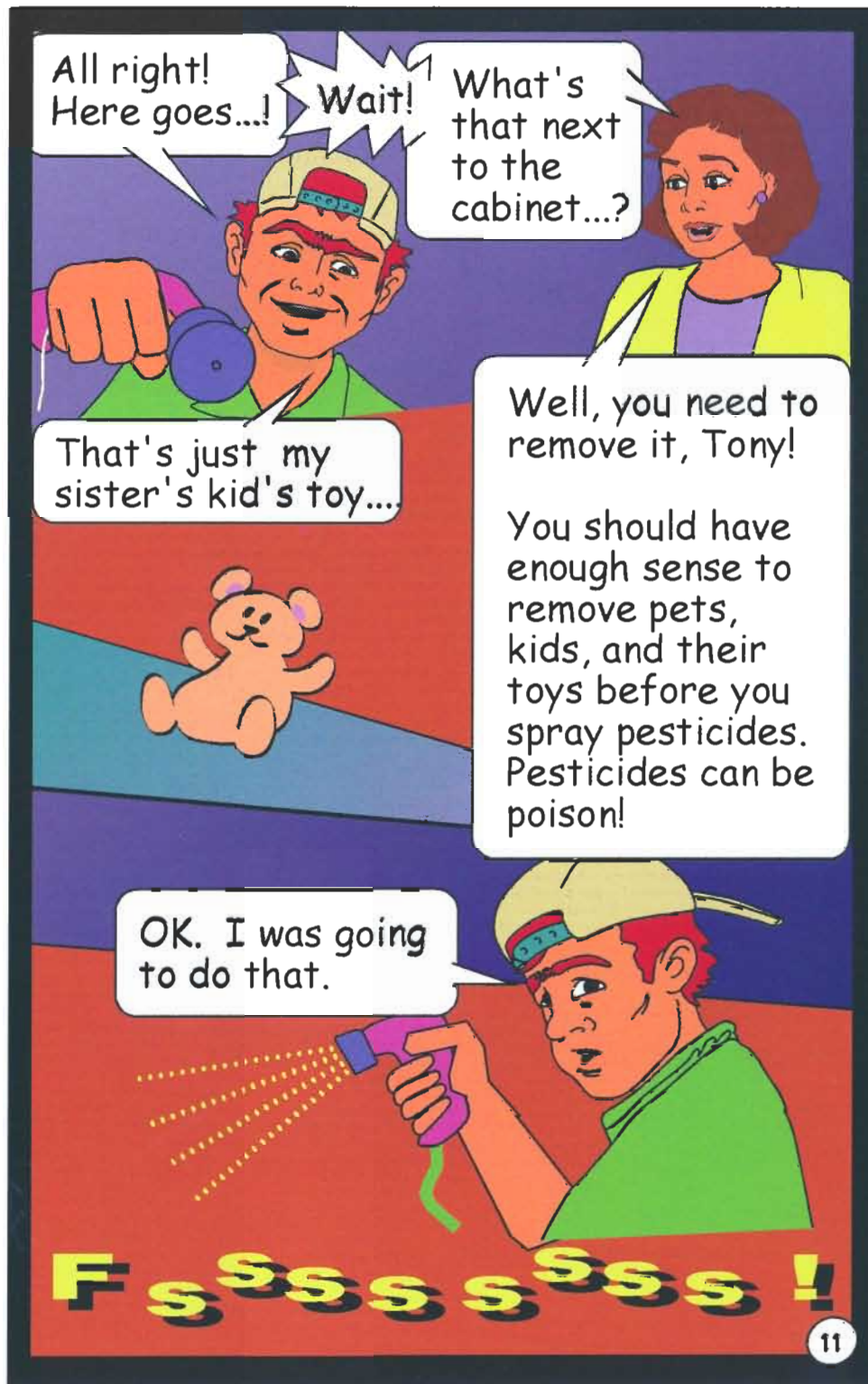
...How do I know this stuff is even a pesticide?

Most pesticides have an EPA\* registration number on the label. You shouldn't use anything that doesn't have an EPA number.

Never buy unlabeled pesticides at places like flea markets.



EPA 493902-392930-043949329



All right! Here goes...!

Wait!

What's that next to the cabinet...?

That's just my sister's kid's toy...

Well, you need to remove it, Tony!  
You should have enough sense to remove pets, kids, and their toys before you spray pesticides. Pesticides can be poison!

OK. I was going to do that.

**F S S S S S S S S !**



At last, Tony has defeated the bugs.



Hah!

Tony... What are you doing?

Just saving the rest of this stuff in this juice can.



A very bad idea. What if your sister's child finds that juice can?

Store the pesticide in its original container...



...out of reach of children, in a locked cabinet.

When the container is empty, wrap it in several layers of newspaper and throw it in the trash.



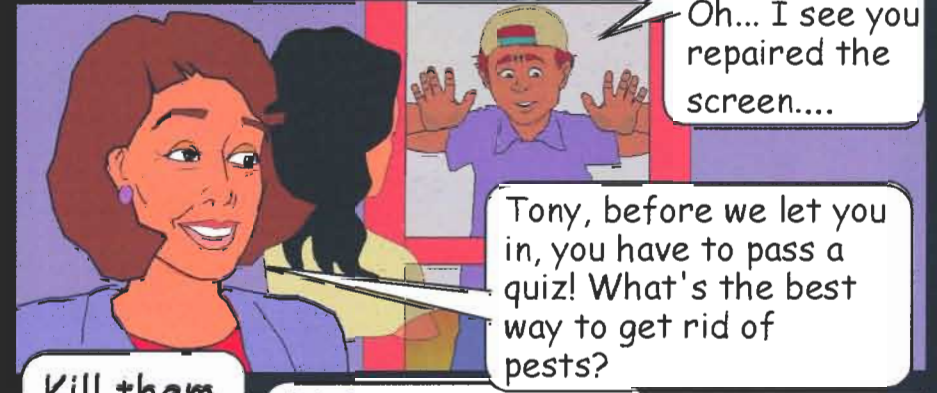
Mary's kitchen, a few days later . . .



So, were you able to help Tony?

I think so-

Mary!



Mary-! Oh... I see you repaired the screen....

Tony, before we let you in, you have to pass a quiz! What's the best way to get rid of pests?

Kill them with bug spray!

No! I'm talking about prevention.

Oh.

STARVE THEM OUT!



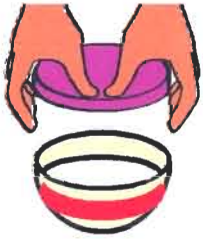
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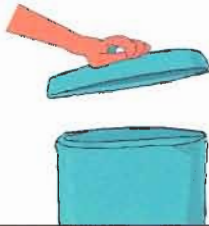
## STARVE THEM OUT!

Put away food.

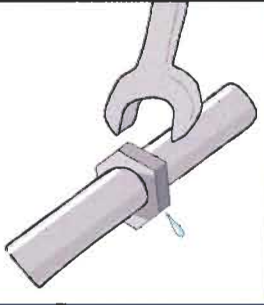


Clean up spills.

Cover trash containers.



## DRY THEM OUT!



Fix leaks.

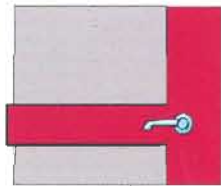
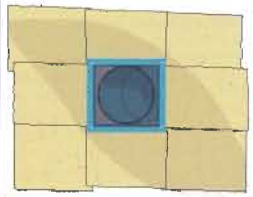


## KEEP THEM OUT!



Patch holes and cracks.

Cover vents and pipes from the outside.



Fix screens.

**KLANK**

Very good, Tony!



I guess you can come in now.

Be careful of that screen door!



Tony, do you remember what you learned about using pesticides?



Read the label and follow the directions about use and storage.



Use traps first.



Then sprays.



Use bombs only as a last step before calling a pest control professional.



Amazing! He remembered!



Pssst ...  
Mary ...



... got any of that  
rice pudding left...?

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