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A recent national survey conducted by Liberty Mutual in association with the International Association of Firefighters revealed that Americans hold many misconceptions about fire safety. Take this brief True-or-False quiz to test your own fire smarts. And remember, there are no trick questions.

QUESTIONS

- 1. **True or False**: When exiting a burning building, you should leave all doors open for firefighters to enter.
- 2. True or False: Power strips protect against electrical fires.
- 3. **True or False**: It's safe to run a space heater 24/7.

ANSWERS

- 1. **False**: Closing doors behind you as you escape slows the spread of smoke and flames.
- 2. **False**: Power strips protect against power surges, not fires, and if overloaded, can in fact cause electrical fires.
- 3. **False**: Space heaters are designed only for short-term operation. Always turn them off when you exit the room for an extended period, especially at night when you go to bed.

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