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## 10 important things you should know about HAZ-COMM

1. **What you don't know CAN hurt you!**
2. You have the right to know what chemicals you may be exposed to!
3. PPE doesn't do you any good if you don't wear it!
4. If it smells toxic, it may be toxic! Check it out.
5. Just because it says "**water base**" on the label doesn't mean it's totally safe! Read the MSDS thoroughly!
6. Respiratory exposures are serious business!
7. You should know the most common types of hazard classifications- Corrosives, Toxics, Acids, Flammable liquids, Oxidizer/Reactive, Compressed gas, Explosives, Radioactive, Carcinogens.
8. You must protect yourself from these 3 **Modes of Entry** – contact the skin, enter respiratory tract (breath) or Digestive System (swallow).
9. Store hazardous materials properly. Only in approved lockable cabinets.
10. Respiratory protection (masks-all types) require a fit test and training. Medical doctors must do a heart & lung test on all workers that wear respiratory equipment.