



Toolbox Talks

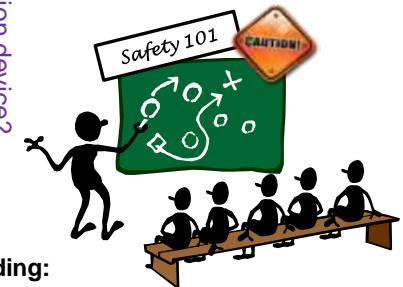
Unsafe Acts: Don't Do This At Home, Work, or Anywhere Else

Part 6

excavator ≠ proper scaffold



dust mask...or suffocation device?



All pictures found at www.safetytoolboxtalks.com

...bbq anyone?



→ Statistically, most accidents are caused by unsafe acts, including:

- **Being In A Hurry:** Sometimes there is more concern for completing a job quickly instead of safely. Take time to do a good job & a safe job.
- **Taking Chances:** Daring behavior or blatant disregard for safe work practices can put the whole work team at risk. Follow all company safety rules & watch out for your fellow employees. Horseplay is never appropriate on the job & can lead to disciplinary action.
- **Being Preoccupied:** Daydreaming, drifting off at work, thinking about the weekend, & not paying attention to your work can get you seriously hurt or even killed. Focus on the work you are paid to do. If your mind is troubled or distracted, you're at risk for an accident.
- **Having A Negative Attitude:** Being angry or in a bad mood can lead to severe accidents because anger nearly always rules over caution. Flying off the handle at work is potentially dangerous. Keep your bad moods in check, or more than one person may be hurt. Remember to stay cool & in charge of your emotions.
- **Failing To Look For Hidden Hazards:** At many jobsites, work conditions are constantly changing; sometimes new, unexpected hazards develop. Always be alert for changes in the environment. Hidden hazards include: spilled liquids that could cause slips & falls; out-of-place objects that can be tripped over; unmarked floor openings one could step into; low overhead pipes that could mean a head injury; & other workers who don't see you enter their hazardous work area.

Injury Prevention Month

