
Be Prepared Trivia

Emergency Preparedness Week 2026

Overview

Use these questions to support your own [Emergency Preparedness Week](#) campaigns and engage with your community to increase disaster risk literacy and motivate preparedness action. The answers are based off the [Be Prepared program](#) and may not be an exhaustive list. Use the Be Prepared program to create your own emergency preparedness trivia.

Trivia questions

1. According to the [2025 Preparedness Survey of Albertans](#), what percentage of respondents feel unprepared?

Answer:

- 44% (up 1 point from 2024)

2. According to the [2025 Preparedness Survey of Albertans](#), what are the top 5 hazards respondents are most concerned about?

Answer(s):

- Extreme cold, wildfires, extreme heat, severe drought and power/water outages
 - 77% said extreme cold (up from 71% in 2024)
 - 71% said wildfires (up from 59% in 2024)
 - 68% said extreme heat (up from 64% in 2024)
 - 63% said severe drought (down from 64% in 2024)
 - 61% said power/water outages (down from 65% in 2024)

3. According to the [2025 Preparedness Survey of Albertans](#), how many people report having a community support system?

Answer:

- 12%

4. Where does preparedness start?

Answer:

- With individuals and households

5. When is [wildfire](#) season in Alberta?

Answer:

- Wildfire season officially runs from March 1-October 31. However, wildfires can still occur outside this time frame

6. In serious situations, [evacuation orders](#) may be issued without an evacuation alert. Individuals and households should be prepared by having enough supplies to last how many days?

Answer:

- A minimum 7 days

7. How often should you update your [emergency kit and supplies](#)?

Answer:

- A general rule of thumb is with the change in seasons

8. **Emergencies and disasters can have devastating financial impacts and being prepared is about more than just having money in the bank. Name a few ways you can [financially prepare](#).**

Answer(s):

- Start a savings fund
- Keep cash on hand in case banking services become unavailable
- Talk to your insurance provider to ensure you understand what your policy covers, and more importantly, what it doesn't cover
- Have alternative payment methods available
- Learn what disaster assistance programs may be available
- When looking to buy, rent or develop property, avoid high-risk areas like floodways and fringes

9. **How can [community connections](#) increase your resilience to disruptions, emergencies and disasters?**

Answer(s):

- When an emergency occurs, it's your community members in the area that are often the first to respond and lend a hand
- It is easier to ask for help if you know them
- Help one another stay safe by sharing information about risks in your area (such as coyote sightings, break-ins/theft) and troubleshoot disruptions like outages (localized vs individual)
- Build resilient communities through gatherings, emergency contact lists, wellness checks, sharing resources (assets), etc.

10. **What are some ways you can get to know the people in your community so you can better support one another during emergencies?**

Answer(s):

- Learning about community members' skills (like first aid, technical expertise, amateur radio or cultural knowledge)
- Identifying useful resources or assets community members may have (such as vehicles, generators or stored water)
- Noting who may need extra help
- Finding people who may be interested in joining a support network or buddy system
- Learning about local groups and organizations that provide support during emergencies (such as community leagues, non-government organizations or church groups)

11. **Name one way you could stay warm during [extreme cold](#).**

Answer(s):

- Stay indoors when possible
- Dress in warm windproof layers
- When working outside, do not over-exert yourself
- Make sure your pets have warm shelter during a cold snap

12. **[Staying informed](#) during emergencies can save your life. What trusted sources of information can you use to stay informed?**

Answer(s):

- Download the [Alberta Emergency Alert](#) app, [AB Wildfire](#), [WeatherCAN](#), community apps, local news apps, etc.
- Contact your community to find out where they post updated information during emergencies
- Check [Alberta 511](#) for current road conditions

13. **[Pets](#) are often impacted by emergencies and disasters. How can you keep your pet safe and comfortable if you had to evacuate?**

Answer(s):

- Pack their favorite toy or blanket
- Pre-plan for a pet friendly hotel, kennel, shelter, friend's house, etc.
- Practice transporting your pet in your vehicle
- Pack a 7-14 day supply of food and water