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Accidental Poisoning

by Alberta Health Services

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to remind parents and caregivers of precautions to prevent accidental childhood poisonings around the home. Ingesting prescription or over the counter (OTC) medications is a significant cause of accidental childhood poisonings. Other causes of poisoning include ingesting or coming into contact with household items such as dishwasher tablets, mouthwash, or chemicals such as paints, solvents and cleaning products.

Medication Storage

- Place all medications in locked containers and store in an area inaccessible to children
- For easy identification, store all medications in their original packaging; do not mix multiple medications in a single bottle
- Install child locks on all cabinets, or drawers where medications are stored

Safety Tips

Child-resistant medication bottles are not child proof.
 They can still be opened by a child

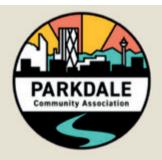
- Take extra precaution with medicines designed to appeal to children such as chewable vitamins or flavored cough and cold syrups
- Promptly dispose of any medications or toxic household products no longer in use

Prevention

- Store household products, cleaning supplies, and cosmetics in locked cabinets or drawers
- Install child latches on cabinets children might also access by climbing on counters or chairs
- Label all plants in and around your home and garden
- Antifreeze, windshield washer fluid, and pesticides are extremely poisonous. Even small amounts of these can cause serious illness if ingested

Poisoning information can be obtained by calling the Poison and Drug Information Service (PADIS) at: 1-800-332-1414.

In case of a poisoning emergency, call 9-1-1. Provide the name of the product ingested and, if it is safe to do so, a sample of the substance for EMS to inspect on their arrival.



THE PARKDALE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION IS LOOKING FOR **VOLUNTEERS!**

The Parkdale Community Association has open positions on our Board of Directors and with various subcommittees that support our community

email your interest or questions to office@parkdaleyyc.com

CHECKLIST Remove valuables & garage door



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- Lock vehicles
- Close overhead garage door

openers from vehicles

- - Lock door between garage & house
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Meet Dr. Jade Park.

Now booking appointments with our newest U/D Dentist.

Dr. Park has been bringing an upbeat, warm energy to the Swish team since spring 2025. This girl knows Alberta through and through, having been born in Red Deer, AB and spending much of her childhood between Edmonton and Calgary. Craving a change of scenery, she made the move to Winnipeg to pursue a Doctor of Dental Medicine degree at the University of Manitoba. Upon graduating, she relocated back to Calgary, where she calls Swish U/D home.

Dr. Park is extremely passionate about creating a welcoming and comforting dental experience for every patient who walks through our doors. For her, education is key. She takes the time to walk patients through every step of their oral health journey, with the hope that each patient becomes as enthusiastic about their care as our team is.

Outside of the clinic, you can find her exploring the city or outdoors with her friends and family. From hiking new mountain trails, to giving cross-country skiing her best shot in the winter, she's always ready to take on a new challenge or try a new restaurant. Next time you're in, make sure to share your favourite hiking trail or restaurant with her.



Book your next visit with Dr. Park today!



Our guide to booking your Swish Appointment

Been thinking about booking your first appointment? Here's your step-bystep guide to becoming a Swisher. Bonus: you picked a great time, we've just dropped a full suite of appointment openings.



Book online

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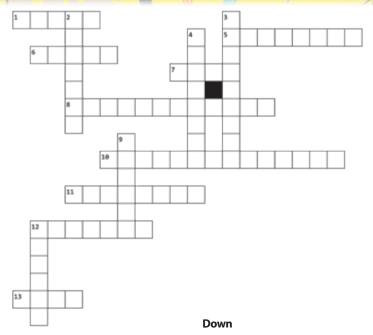
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August Crossword



Across

- 1. This classic Disney film about a young deer premiered in August 1942.
- Canadian astronaut, Chris ______, was born in Sarnia, Ontario on August 29, 1959.
- Canadian American actor Patrick J. Adams was born on August 27, 1981, in Toronto and is best known for his role as Mike Ross in this legal drama series.
- 7. The Wizard of Oz premiered on August 15, 1939, and was based upon the book written by Lyman Frank ______.
- 8. English navigator John Rut sent the first known letter from North America in August 1527 while anchored at St. John's, ______.
- 10. In August 1837, pharmacists John Lea and William Perrins started production of this condiment containing soy sauce and vinegar.
- 11. People born in August are lucky to have three birthstones to choose from: peridot, spinel, and ______.
- 12. The _____ Chapel in Vatican City was consecrated by Pope Sixtus IV on August 9, 1483.
- 13. International _____ Handers Day is observed annually on August 13.

- 2. In August 2008, the ______ Summer Olympics became one of the most watched television events in history with approximately 4.7 billion viewers.
- 3. On August 4, 1693, it is believed that Dom Pérignon invented this sparkling wine.
- 9. Usain Bolt won the 200m at this Olympic Games on August 9, 2012, becoming the first man to win both the 100m and 200m at two consecutive Olympics.
- Inventor Isaac _____ was granted a patent for his eponymous sewing machine on August 12, 1851, revolutionizing garment production.



The Art of Finding Work: Rare is the Jobseeker Who Does Their Homework

by Nick Kossovan

In the late '90s, I was interviewing for a call centre management position with a well-known insurance company. Karl, my interviewer, and I clicked. Small talk revealed we shared a love of golf and agreed that Rhum Corner makes the best mojitos in Toronto. Karl seemed impressed by my STAR stories and experience creating incentive programs that drove sales. Forty minutes into the interview, Karl asked, "Knowing you'd be interviewing here, did you call the call centre?"

I hadn't.

I didn't get the job.

Hard lesson learned.

Since my interview with Karl, I have always made it a point to contact the company's call centre, use their products if I'm not a current user, speak to previous employees, and review recent media coverage. My goal is to gather as much information as possible, which I can leverage in my interview. If it's a job I'm eager to land, I'll gather information to mention in my cover letter.

"Last night, I called your call centre and waited more than three minutes before speaking with Stacy, who was pleasant. What's the average wait time for customers calling the Bank of Galicia call centre? While managing NOLA Bank's 60-seat call centre, I reduced the average wait time from 2:45 minutes to less than 42 seconds by..."

Candidates who've done their homework are few and far between, and those who have always stood out in my mind.

When I say "homework," I'm not talking about visiting the company's website and simply reviewing the rudimentary aspects of the business, such as what they do, annual revenue, the name of the CEO, and such. I'm talking about doing a deep dive—thinking like a private investigator—looking to uncover possible pain points (read: challenges) the employer is experiencing, such as my above example regarding average wait time and explaining how you'd resolve it.



In preparation for an interview, start by visiting the company's website; then go the extra mile. Here are some examples:

Call the employer's call centre (or visit their stores, branches, dealerships, etc.)

Since I'm in the call centre management space, my interviews have been for call centre management positions. Karl's question made me realize that calling the employer's call centre to gauge its performance is worthwhile, even if only to understand what I'm getting into and what challenges I'll encounter. Whether you're applying for a call centre management position or not, calling the company's call centre will give you an insight into the company's culture and how important customer service is to the employer,

In my case, I'll call the employer's call centre several times and assess how easy it is to navigate their IVR (Interactive Voice Response), how long it takes for an agent to answer my call, how their agents introduce themselves, etc. During the interview, I'll discuss my experiences with the call centre and how I would resolve any issues.

Experience the employer's product

While overseeing Crocs' customer service department, I had to hire several agents. Although all the candidates I interviewed knew what Crocs did, few wore them. Several candidates even admitted they weren't "a fan of" Crocs. Crocs have been a part of my life for a few years, so when I interviewed with Crocs, I wore a pair of my Crocs, which my interviewer and to-be boss noticed. During the interview, I shared the good and bad aspects of wearing Crocs, how I felt Crocs compared to Birkenstock, Skechers, Teva, and Vans, and how I see Crocs positioned in the footwear market.

Demonstrating that you use the employer's products and why you choose them over their competitors will give you an edge over other candidates. What employer wouldn't want to hire one of their fans, someone enthusiastic about their brand? If you have never experienced the employer's product(s), you should do so and let your interviewer know what you think.

Imagine you're interviewing for a social media manager position at a Mexican restaurant chain called Taco Loco. You've never eaten at a Taco Loco before, so you go to Taco Loco for lunch two days before your interview.

"The other day, I had lunch at your Dundas Square location. I had the Tres Quesabirria Tacos. Both the food and the atmosphere were on point. Something you should consider is offering keto-friendly and gluten-free options since these diets have become mainstream. As Taco Loco's social media manager, I'd lean more towards creating behind-the-scenes content, such as videos of meal preparations and customer testimonials, instead of simply posting pictures of dishes. Furthermore, I would increase followers and engagement by offering a 25% off coupon to anyone who follows Taco Loco's Instagram account or by hosting a contest where you can win a \$200 Taco Loco gift card by posting a selfie of yourself eating at Taco Loco and tagging Taco Loco."

Other ways to do in-depth homework:

- Read the company's annual report.
- Read reviews and look for common complaints.
- Google [company name] under 'News.'
- Speak to current and former employees.

Doing more homework than most job seekers shows that you're committed to contributing to the company's success, making it harder not to hire you.





by Anne Burke

Long ago, what we know as Alberta was underwater, covered by the ocean and surrounded by tropical forests. As many as 20 major glacial advances and retreats reshaped the landscape, including the continuous plateau of Nose Hill and Lake Calgary. Nose Hill provides spectacular views of the Bow River Valley and the uplands across the valley. Their geological history began in the floodplain of the Bow River which flowed at the top level of the present Hill where the river deposited gravel, sand, and mud. These are relatively thin on the steeper slopes. Nose Hill is bounded by the overflow spillway system, now Beddington and Nose Creek. Big Hill Springs Coulee is what remains.

Erratics are stones, boulders, or big blocks picked up and moved from one place to another during the last ice age. There are many in Nose Hill Park traced to a landslide from Mount Edith Cavell in Jasper National Park; they are part of a series across the Foothills region of Alberta. The Foothills Erratics Train runs from near Hinton, Alberta, to the Montana border. Some large boulders, such as the Nose Hill Buffalo Rubbing Stone, were used centuries ago. You can hike up to the Nose Hill 64 Avenue Glacial Erratic from the parking lot off 14 Street NW. At the top of Nose Hill Park there are several scattered glacial erratics of different sizes grouped close together. The Nose Hill Brisebois Glacial Erratic is between the south Nose Hill Parking Lot at Brisebois Drive and John Laurie Blvd. The Nose Hill Tower Glacial Erratic is on the top of the hill near transmission poles and a small building. Access is by an uphill hike from the North Hill SE Parking Lot along an old access road.



Parkdale Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Parkdale MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

| | Average Asking Price | Average Sold Price |
|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| June 2025 | \$1,239,499 | \$1,200,000 |
| May 2025 | \$1,285,000 | \$1,275,000 |
| April 2025 | \$875,000 | \$885,000 |
| March 2025 | \$1,309,400 | \$1,291,500 |
| February 2025 | \$830,000 | \$828,000 |
| January 2025 | \$1,199,000 | \$1,180,000 |
| December 2024 | \$1,887,450 | \$1,780,000 |
| November 2024 | \$864,950 | \$861,250 |
| October 2024 | \$879,900 | \$860,000 |
| September 2024 | \$1,077,000 | \$1,032,500 |
| August 2024 | \$499,450 | \$478,500 |
| July 2024 | \$499,900 | \$487,500 |

Last 12 Months Parkdale
MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

| | No. New Properties | No. Properties Sold |
|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| June 2025 | 14 | 6 |
| May 2025 | 13 | 13 |
| April 2025 | 9 | 5 |
| March 2025 | 10 | 4 |
| February 2025 | 8 | 2 |
| January 2025 | 6 | 5 |
| December 2024 | 1 | 2 |
| November 2024 | 5 | 4 |
| October 2024 | 5 | 7 |
| September 2024 | 9 | 6 |
| August 2024 | 9 | 6 |
| July 2024 | 9 | 7 |

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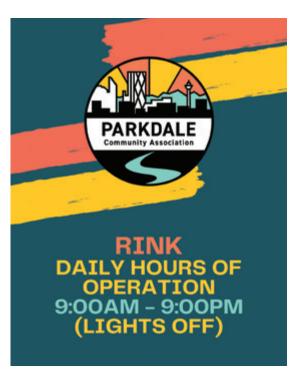
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