ROOT CAUSES

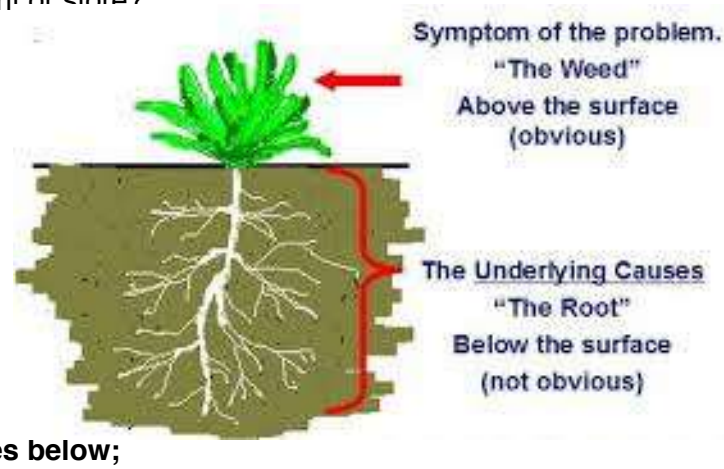


EAE Learning objectives for this lesson

Learn how to use would and could for the present past and future.
Learn the vocabulary of risk management at work.

Activity One - ***Ask and answer***

1. Are you involved in safety and security management in your job?
2. Do you get trained in how to avoid work related accidents?
3. What kind of dangers exist in your workplace, in your department?
4. Are you responsible in your job for managing risks or accidents?
5. Have there been any accidents in your department or store?
6. What happened?



Activity Two - ***Past modals..***

We say:

- **Could** have done differently
- **Should** have done this or that
- **Should not** have done this or that

Answer the following questions about the pictures below;

1. What could have been done to avoid this accident?
2. What should be done straight away when this happens?









Activity Three - ***Keeping you safe***

To keep a store safe there are rules and best practices which help you to avoid work related accidents and other occupational hazards. Every situation can generate accidents. People can get injured or worse! In order to avoid this kind of incident it's important to have a good idea of the **root causes** of such incidents. Do you know what a 'root cause' is?

What kind of accidents could be caused by these problems:

Slippy floor	**Chemical products**
Dark area	**Battery acid**
Sharp knives	**High Shelves**
Heavy boxes	**Sharp tools**
Hot surfaces	**Live electricity**

Activity Four - Safety Equipment - When SHOULD you wear or use these items?

- Safety googles
- Safety shoes
- Safety gloves
- Safety hat / helmet
- Breathing mask
- Ear plugs
- Harness

Activity Five - ***Common work related accidents and problems.***



Here is a list of common accidents, what can be done to prevent such accidents? Which are the most common accidents in your experience? What are the **root causes** of these accidents.

- ☑ **Back injuries from manual handling.**
- ☑ **Falling or slipping on stairs or the floor.**
- ☑ **Collision between a forklift and a pedestrian.**
- ☑ **Merchandise falling off a rack.**
- ☑ **Slipping on a wet floor**
- ☑ **Burning yourself on a hot oven.**
- ☑ **Cutting yourself with a sharp knife.**
- ☑ **Getting chemicals in your eyes.**
- ☑ **Being attacked/ verbally abused by a customer.**
- ☑ **Work related stress.**
- ☑ **Electrocution**

Activity Six - ***Risk analysis.***

1. Do you analyse the risks involved in your department?
2. Do you know any techniques for prevention of occupational hazards?
3. How do you analyse risk? Do you have a method? What is it?



