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## How to prevent flooding?

Homes near rivers or with poor drainage pose a risk of flooding. To stop more floods, create an emergency plan and avoid littering or dumping in stormwater drainage systems.



Turn  
around  
don't  
drown.

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## During a flood

Always go to higher ground during a flood

Never walk or drive through fast flowing water, 15cm of water can sweep you off your feet and 30cm of water is enough to float most cars.

Stay away from flood water or rivers. Listen to officials or adults if they tell you to leave the area.



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