

TAKE SAFETY HOME:
Preventing Off-Job Injuries
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Martin says that we tend to take off our safety knowledge along with our hardhats and steel-toed boots on Friday afternoons and put them in our locker. What other factors can you think of that may contribute to the gap between off-job and on-job injuries?
2. Have you ever disregarded your safety while undertaking an off-job activity? Did you suffer an injury? If not, describe what the consequences could have been.
3. Have you ever neglected to wear the personal protection required for an off-job activity just because you weren't at work or didn't think it was necessary? If so, describe what injuries you could have suffered from not wearing the equipment.
4. Martin says that slips, trips and falls result in most of the off-job injuries he has attended. Why do think so many of these incidents occur?
5. Do you ever overdo it when participating in sports and recreational activities away from work? If so, what kind of injuries could you suffer as a result and how could these injuries affect the way you perform your job at work?
6. Martin says, "Friends don't let friends drink and do stupid things." How would you approach a friend or a loved one who has been drinking and is about to do something dangerous?
7. Name some things we can do that aren't mentioned in the program to close the gap between the on-job injury rate and the off-job injury rate.