How and when should we call 999 for the Police to help?

Below are Flash Cards which can be printed off and shown to pupils to decide if a 999 call to the Police should be made for help.
My cat is stuck in a tree? Should I call 999?
We have had a car accident?

Should we call 999?
Someone has stolen my phone?

Should I call 999?
I am lost...

Should I call 999?
My brother is being mean to me he won’t let me watch the TV

Should I call 999?
I have lost my pocket money?

Should I call 999?
Can I call 999 for a joke? **NO!**

Ha Ha... This is so funny

Hello 999?

A hoax call can get you into trouble and may put other people’s lives at risk!!
Someone has hurt me…
I’m frightened!!

YES... You should call 999 and ask for the Police to come and help you!
Answers

Cat in a tree: No, this is not a 999 emergency.
Explain to pupils that they should not make any attempt to rescue the cat themselves, as this can be dangerous. The cat could be rescued by the RSPCA if it does come down by itself which most will do eventually.

Car accident: Yes, this is can be a 999 emergency.
Police and ambulance will attend most car accidents where they may be danger, risk or injury. Fast response or traffic officers will attend to deal with this type of report.

Stolen phone: Yes, this can be a 999 emergency.
Police should always be called if someone has been the victim of a theft or robbery as the offender could still be close by for the Police to catch. Fast response officers will attend to deal with this type of report.

Lost Child: Yes, this is a 999 emergency.
Police should always be called when a child is lost as they may be in danger. Fast response officers will attend to deal with this type of report.

Mean brother: No, this is not a 999 emergency.
Although the child may be upset, this is a matter for parents to resolve.

Lost pocket money: No, this is not 999 emergency.
Although very upsetting, this is not an emergency or something that the Police can help with. If you suspect someone has stolen it then it would be a matter the Police could deal with.

Hoax call: No, This must be explained as an offence and risk to others who really need help. The control can identify the call location,

Harm to a child: Yes, a child should always call 999 for Police help if they have been hurt or frightened