Respirator Fit Test Exercises

- 1. Normal breathing In a normal standing position, without talking, breathe normally.
- 2. Deep breathing In a normal standing position, breathe slowly and deeply.
- 3. Turning head side to side Standing in place, slowly turn your head from side to side between the extreme positions on each side. Hold at each extreme momentarily to inhale at each side.
- 4. Moving head up and down Standing in place, slowly move your head up and down. Inhale in the up position (i.e., when looking toward the ceiling).
- 5. Talking Talk out loud slowly and loud enough to be heard clearly by the test conductor. Read from a prepared text such as the Rainbow Passage, count backward from 100, or recite a memorized poem or song.
- 6. Grimace.
- 7. Bend over at waist.

Rainbow Passage

When the sunlight strikes raindrops in the air, they act like a prism and form a rainbow. The rainbow is a division of white light into many beautiful colors. These take the shape of a long round arch, with its path high above, and its two ends apparently beyond the horizon. There is, according to legend, a boiling pot of gold at one end. People look, but no one ever finds it. When a man looks for something beyond reach, his friends say he is looking for the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.