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LET'S LOOK INSIDE A

FIRE TRUCK



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Chapter One

RACiNG TO THE RESCUE!

A bright red fire truck speeds down the street. Its lights flash. Its **siren** wails. Cars move to the side of the road so the truck can pass.

Have you ever wondered what's inside a fire truck? Let's take a look!

FIRE FACT

Not all fire trucks are red. Some are yellow, white, or lime green.





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