

# HOW TO CRACK A SPACE



## NEVER COMMIT CRIMINAL DAMAGE IN ORDER TO ENTER A BUILDING

Look For Insecure Doors / Windows Which Have Been Pried Open With A Crowbar, By Burglars Or Previously Entered.

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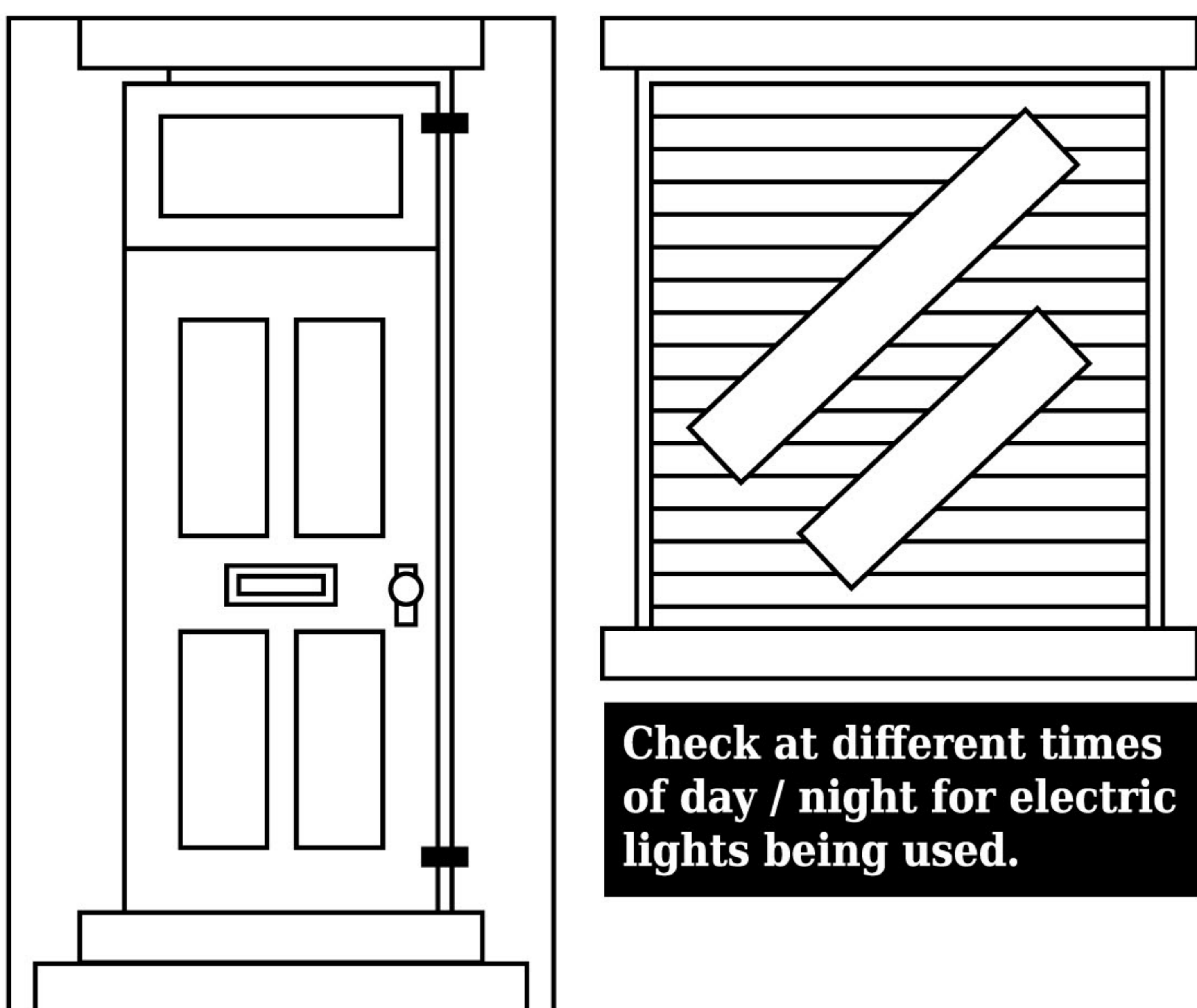
Make a list of at least 5 buildings. Research Online. Check Property against the land registry.



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Stick pieces of electrical tape on exterior doors discretely. If they remain for a few days you can be confident no-one is using building.

If boarded up / stacked with mail - letterbox probably not in use.



Check at different times of day / night for electric lights being used.

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## WHAT TYPES OF SECURITY PROTECT THE PREMISES?

Alarms / CCTV / Guards / Dog patrols / Parked cars / Huts-cabins

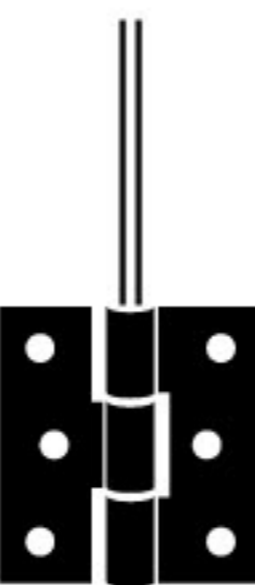


Never Try To Smash, Break Or Cut-off An Alarm

If you set off an alarm - Don't Panic! - Animals can set them off and it's not always noticeable to anyone responsible for the building.

No-one is likely to bother if an alarm goes off in London, but in case the alarm company silently calls a private security firm or the police, act swiftly on entering the building.

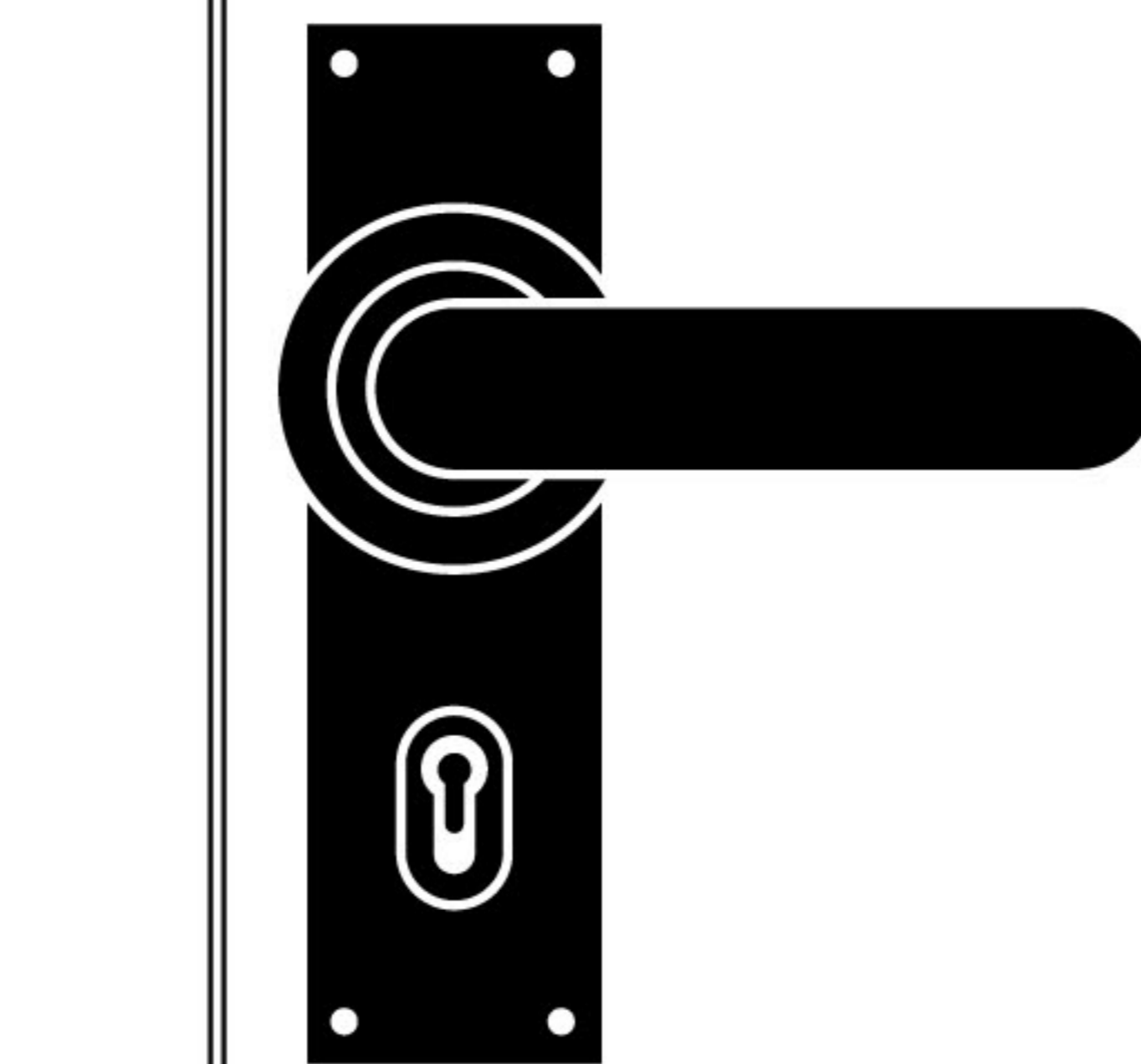
Move quickly towards the doors and secure them.



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Secure doors with bolts.

Hinges even more secure. Place one side into door frame, one side into door. Repeat 3 times.



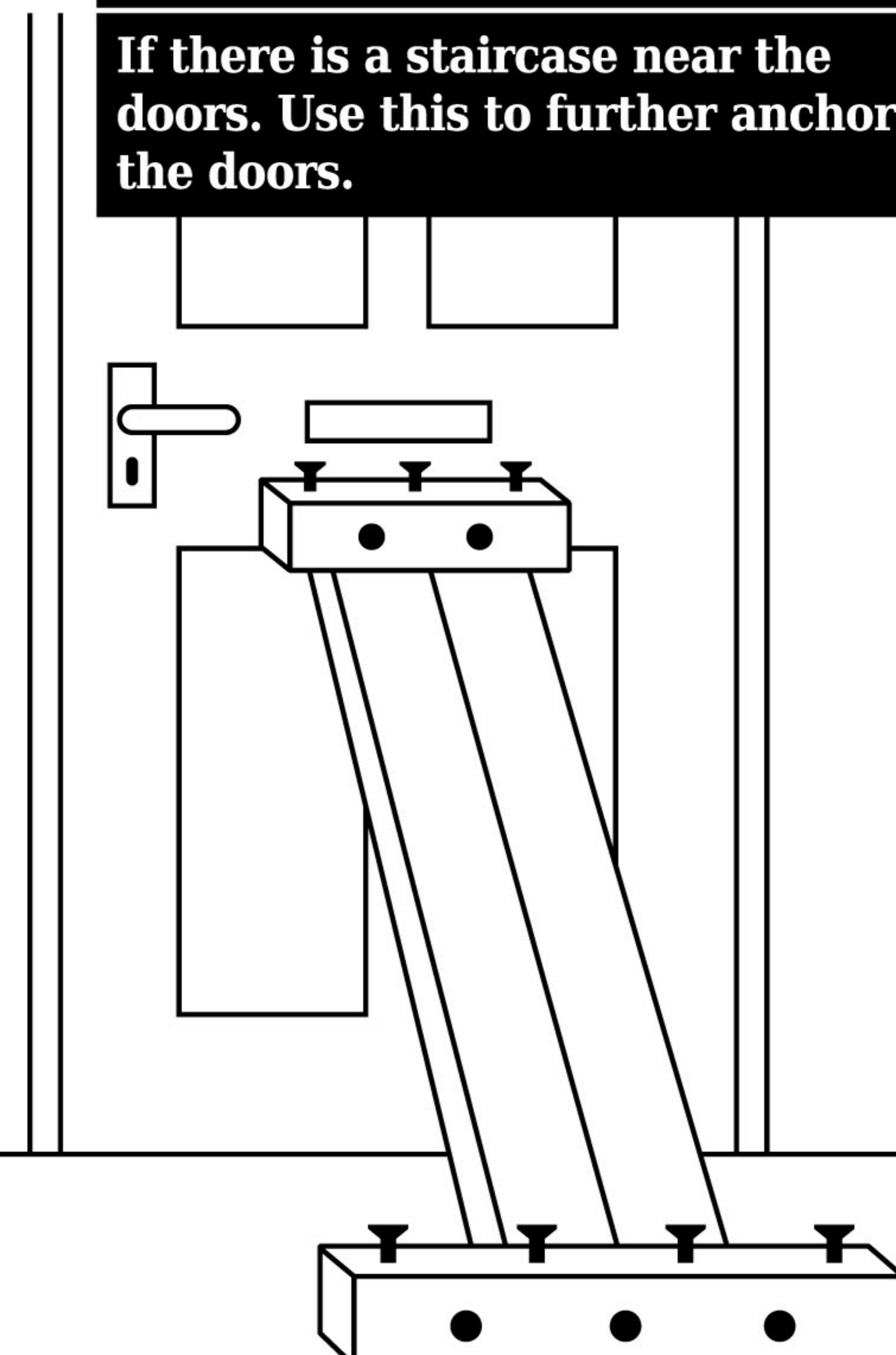
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Construct a prop barricade.

Nail blocks into floor and door.

Use rope or electrical cable to lash them shut.

If there is a staircase near the doors. Use this to further anchor the doors.



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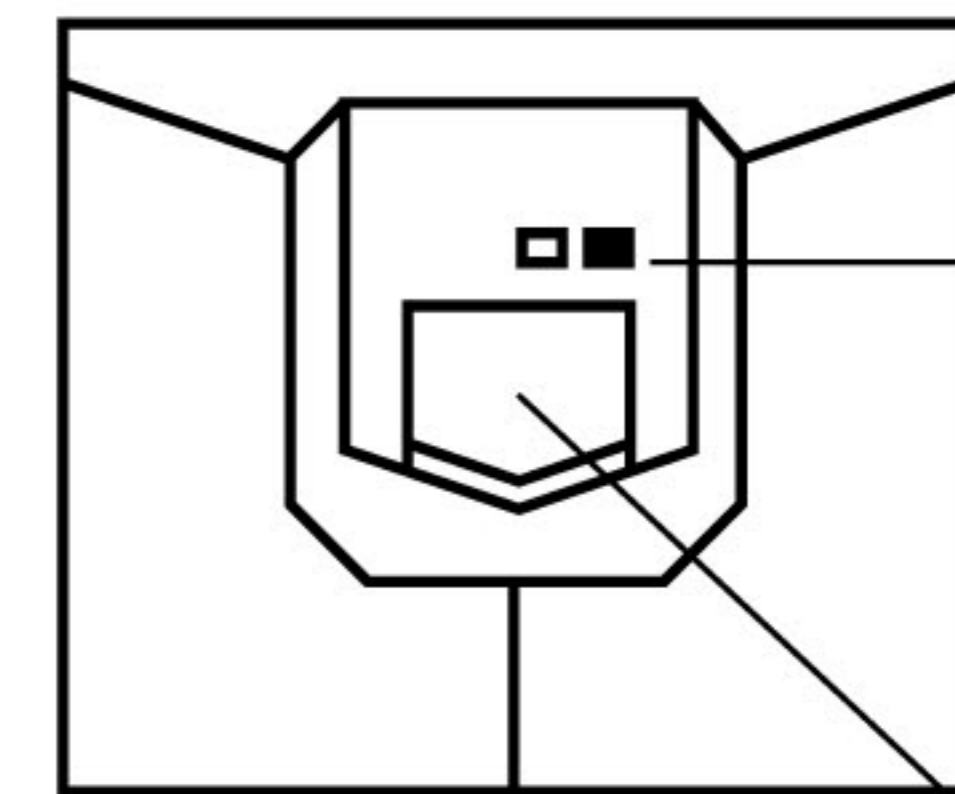
## ALARMS



OUTSIDE ALARM

Find name of manufacturer and research alarm models they produce.

Does the manufacturer offer a call out service?



MOTION SENSORS ALARM

Small boxes found in corners of rooms - have a red light.

Use black tape to cover middle part of sensors you find. Now, when you walk past it again, it won't go off.

Move slowly through the building. Avoid crossing in front of alarm sensors.

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Have at least one person outside building to explain legal possession of it

Contact your friends or eviction resistance.

A section 6 notice must be clearly visible.

Police likely to look for signs of criminal damage. Show them where you entered building legally.

The owner, security or police may arrive if they realise people are in the building.

If they do - it is not illegal that you are squatting a commercial building.

Occupation is only illegal if police can \*prove\* someone has committed a crime.

The police may claim "abstraction of electricity" to try to force you to leave. This only applies to a meter that has been rigged, though they may try it anyway. As soon as possible, phone an electricity company. Tell them you've recently moved into the building and need to set up an account - get a customer number. Show this to the police.

Remember as long as you have secured all of the doors then anyone trying to enter will be committing a crime, keep telling them this.