

HOW TO BUILD A FIRE



LET'S START A FIRE



IGNITION

1.

Select the method of ignition
(your fire-starter)

- lighter
- ferrocerium rod
- flint and steel
- matches



TINDER

2.

Gather easily ignited tinder

- milkweed fluff
- cedar bark shavings
- steel wool
- dryer lint
- dry leaves or grass
- double handful

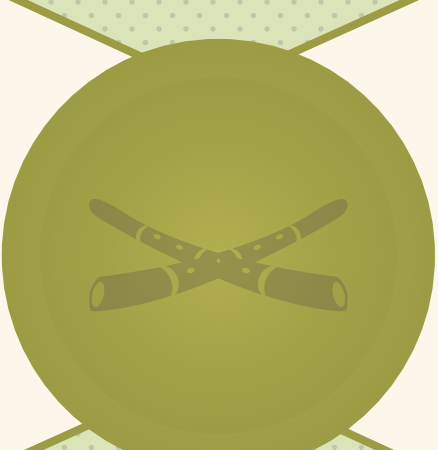


KINDLING

3.

Gather Kindling

- match-stick thick twigs
- dry enough to snap cleanly
(no splintering)
- 6-12" long
- double handful



- pencil thick sticks
- double handful or more
- thumb-sized sticks
- double handful or more
- length of your forearm or more
- wrist-sized
- double handful or more
- length of your forearm or more

KINDLING

MATCH-STICK



TWO HANDFULS

PENCIL-THICK



TWO HANDFULS

THUMB-THICK



TWO HANDFULS

WRIST-THICK



TWO HANDFULS

(it's always better to have too much fuel than not enough)



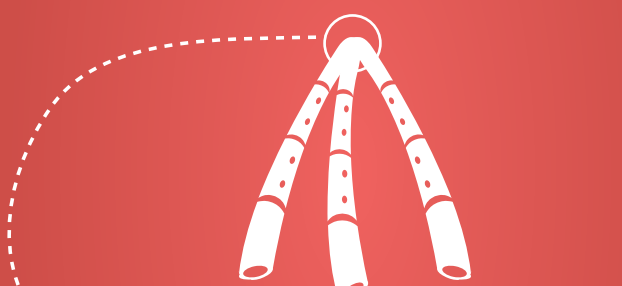
CLEAR THE GROUND



ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES

THE STRUCTURE

5.A



Stick the ends of three thumb-sized sticks

5.B



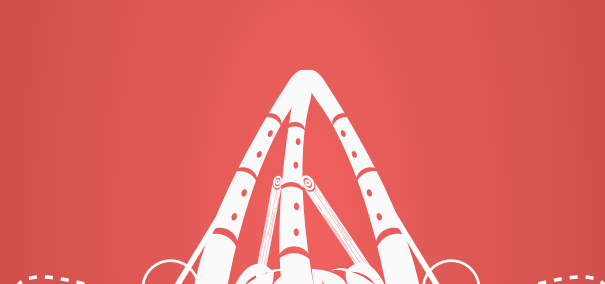
Place the tinder in the middle of the sticks

5.C



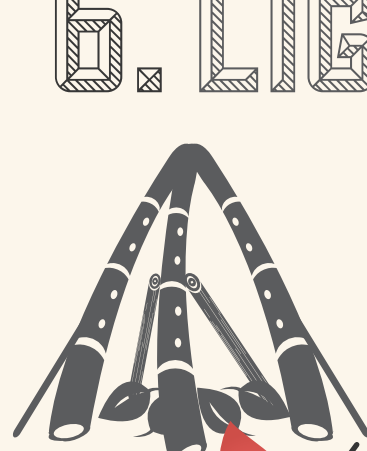
Place the matchsticks on top of the tinder

5.D



Place the pencil thick sticks on the outside of the structure.

6. LIGHT



Place the your igniter
under the tinder
to light the structure.

7. FEED



Feed your Fire as needed

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