**THE FIRE TRIANGLE**

Fires need these three things:

- **Heat**
  - Matches
  - Lighter

- **Fuel**
  - Dry leaves
  - Pine needles
  - Paper
  - Lint or cotton balls
  - Twigs, sticks, small branches
  - Firewood (thicker than 3 inches)

- **Oxygen**
  - Fire
  - Air

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**STEP ONE**

Make a loose pile of tinder. **1**

**TIP:** Don’t pack too tightly. Air needs to get to all parts of the fire.

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**STEP TWO**

Build a tepee with the kindling **2** around the tinder. Start with the small twigs first.

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**STEP THREE**

Light the tinder from all sides.

**TIP:** You can blow gently on the fire to get it going. Fires need lots of oxygen.

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**STEP FOUR**

As the fire grows, feed it with branches and eventually firewood. **3**

Enjoy!

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**STEP FIVE**

Put out the fire by cutting one of the sides of the fire triangle. You can do this by covering it with sand or dirt, dousing it with water or letting wood burn out. **Make sure it’s cold before you leave!**

- **Sand or dirt**
- **Water**
- **Let wood burn out**