

Fire Lighting

Before you start this activity, remember when lighting a fire you should have an adult nearby, just in case the fire gets out of control.

Remember not to cook on the flames. Wait until they have died down and you are left with glowing embers. You are then ready to cook....

Don't forget to put the fire out once you have finished cooking. Replace the turf and make sure the whole area is as tidy as when you came.



1. Collect plenty of dry, dead wood and find a clear patch of ground. (Be careful not to damage grass or trees.)



2. Place some bricks round the area.



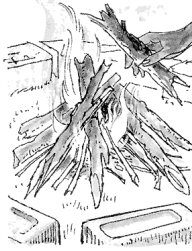
3. Place a ball of dry tinder (dead grass, paper and so on) in the centre.



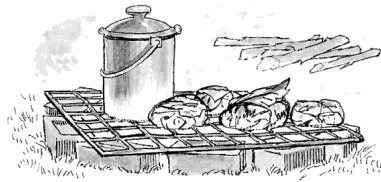
4. Lean some very thin sticks against the ball to form a pyramid.



5. Light the tinder with a match and keep feeding the fire with thin sticks.



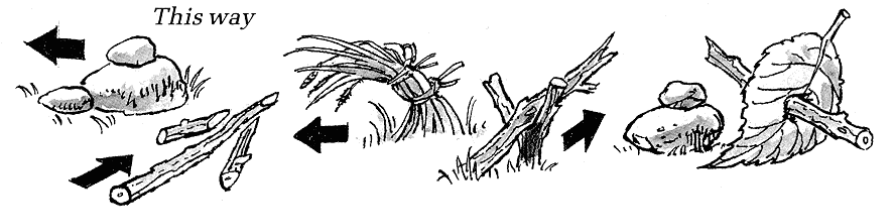
6. Once the thin sticks are alight, gradually feed thicker twigs on the fire. Keep feeding it regularly.



7. You could cook sausages, beef-burgers, apples or beans in tin foil or put a grill over the fire and use a billy can to cook something.

Make sure that you put the fire out completely when you have finished.

Tracking

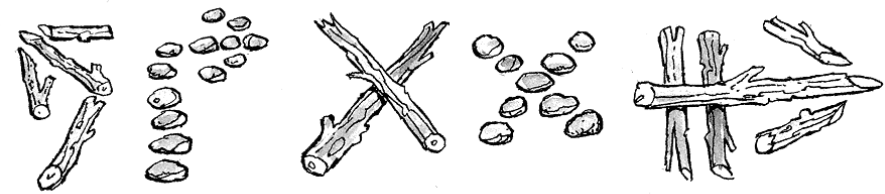


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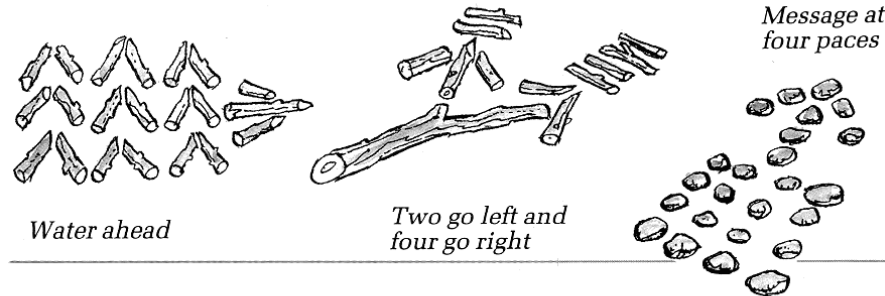


Turn

No entry

No entry

Cross obstacle



Water ahead

Two go left and four go right

Message at four paces

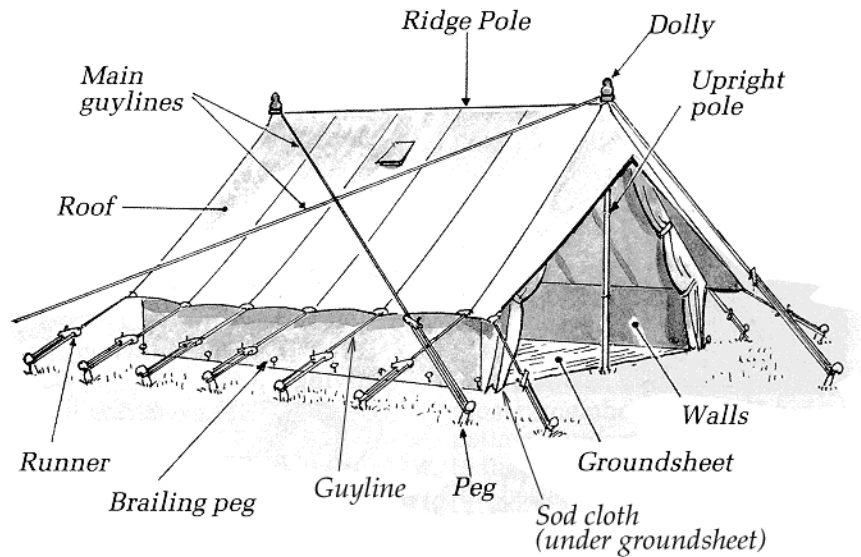


Gone home



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Tents



There are all sorts of different types of tents, so make sure you know how to pitch it properly before you start.

Here is a Patrol Tent – you will probably use one of these at a Cub or Scout camp.

When camping, remember these important points to stop any damage happening to the tent and to help you have a comfortable night's sleep...

- ▷ Lay the groundsheets over the top of the brown cloth which runs along the bottom of the tent.

- ▷ Do not touch the inside of the tent when it is raining or it will leak.
- ▷ Do not run around the inside or outside of the tent or you may trip over and damage it.
- ▷ Fasten the tent properly when you leave it.
- ▷ Keep your bag and clothes on the groundsheet and away from the sides of the tent at all times.
- ▷ Do not keep or eat food in the tent or you will attract insects and small animals.

Knots

	<p>Reef Knot</p> <p>Good for tying parcels and slings as it lies flat.</p>
	<p>Sheet Bend</p> <p>Good for joining ropes. Can be used to join ropes of different size. Often used to tie a line to a flag.</p>
	<p>Round Turn and Two Half-Hitches</p> <p>Good for attaching a rope to a peg, pole or tree. Can be tied with the rope tight and will not work loose.</p>
	<p>Clove Hitch</p> <p>Good for attaching the middle of a rope to a pole. Often used to start or finish a lashing.</p>