



# Fire, fire!



Sean likes to play with fire. He pokes the campfire with a stick until dad tells him to stop. Dad is very fussy about campfires. He's careful that they are safe and also that they are completely out before leaving a site.

Fire is very powerful. An out of control fire can have devastating effects on the desert. It can quickly kill plants, animals, even people. But controlled fires can be good. For thousands of years, Aboriginal people did patch burning. This cleared the country of old, dry inedible plants and gave new plants a chance to grow and thrive. Some plants actually need a fire to crack open tough seed pods so they can regrow. Others need the nutrients that fires create. When only small areas are burnt, animals can shelter under rocks or in burrows, or move out of the area, then return to sweet new grass and bushes.

## Listen to God!

### Exodus 3:1-12

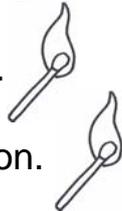


Moses had been living in the desert for forty years, but God had a big and important job for him to do. He was to lead a whole nation of people from one country to another. And a fire played a special part.

## True or false.

If the sentence is true, light the match by colouring in the flame. If it is false, put a cross through the match.

Moses was in the desert looking after pigs.



God used a burning bush to get his attention.

The bush didn't burn up.

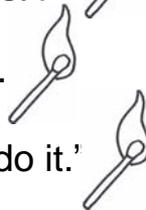


Moses was so afraid, he ran away.



God wanted Moses to rescue his people from Egypt.

Moses didn't feel good enough to go to the king.



God said, "never mind, I'll get someone else to do it."

## Talk to God!

Thank you Lord God that you promised to be with Moses in his important job. Thank you that you promise to be with us whatever we are doing too.



Add the flames

Binara, the nosey frilled neck lizard wants to know why you think the bush didn't burn up, and what did God tell Moses that gave him the courage he would need to do what God wanted.

