**Fire In The Forest**

Fire in the forest can be bad...but sometimes it can be good.

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<td><strong>Wildfires</strong> - Fire in the forest that is <strong>out of control</strong> can harm people, homes, animals, and the forest.</td>
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The main causes of **WILDFIRE** in Georgia’s forests are:

- Careless Debris Burning - Wildfires can be started accidentally by people burning leaves, sticks, and other yard debris.
- Woods Arson - Wildfires can be started on purpose by people who want to destroy or damage property or buildings.

**PRESCRIBED FIRE** can:

- Help many plants reproduce and increase food for wild animals.
- Lessen the possibility of a wildfire by removing built up layers of dead leaves and forest material that could easily catch on fire.

Circle the scenes below that describe where a prescribed fire (good fire) has taken place:

- A man sets a fire in the woods and then runs away.
- Lightning strikes and a small fire burns itself out.
- A forester sets a fire in the woods and manages it closely.
- A deer sees a small, low burning fire and has time to easily leave the area for a few hours.
- A bunny finds its favorite food growing in the woods.
- New plants and trees are reproducing.
- A woman burns a pile of dead leaves in her yard and a big wind makes the fire grow and become unmanageable.
- Animals flee to escape a huge raging fire blazing quickly through the forest.
- Lightning strikes and a large fire sweeps through the forest destroying everything in its path.

Answers: New plants and trees are reproducing, a bunny finds its favorite food growing in the woods, a forester sets a fire in the woods and manages it closely, a small fire burns itself out, and a deer sees a small low burning fire and has time to easily leave the area.