



# Disasters



Disasters happen **suddenly**.

Humans and natural things can cause disasters.

Heavy rain can cause floods.

Fires can be caused by leaving a candle to burn all night.

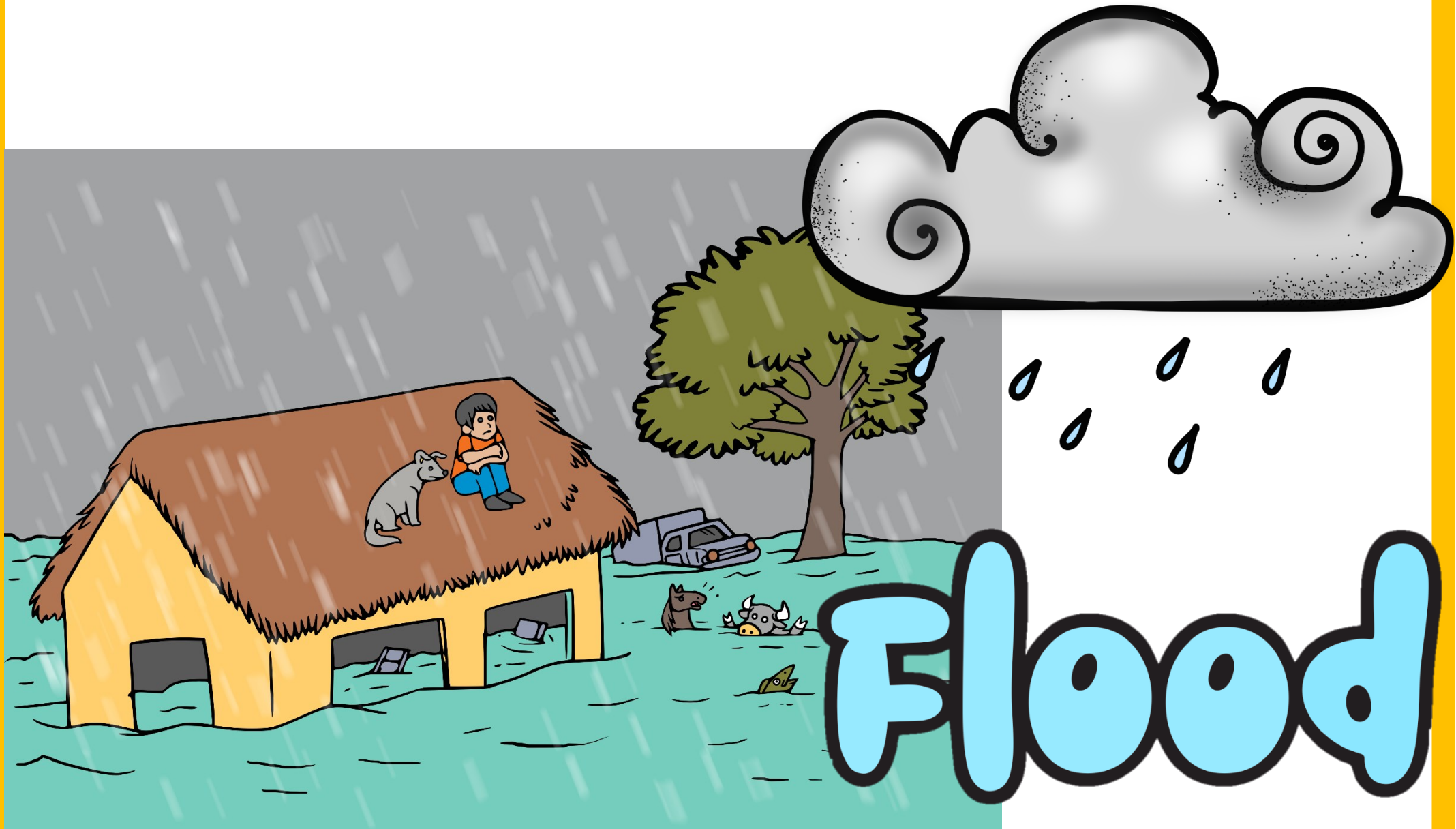


# Lightning

Three rules during a  
thunderstorm:

1. Do not take shelter under a tree or near a metal fence.
2. Do not hide in a hole or lie on the ground.
3. If you are swimming in a dam, swimming pool or river get out quickly!

Floods are caused by heavy rain.



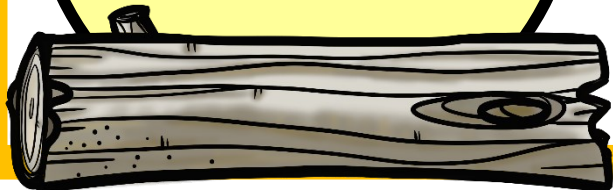
# Fire



A fire happens when  
3 things come  
together:

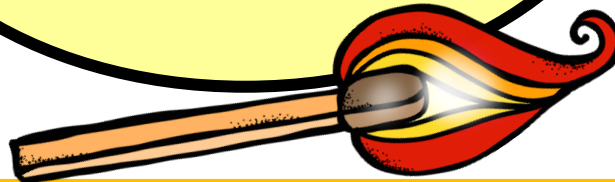
Fuel that  
can burn

dry  
wood



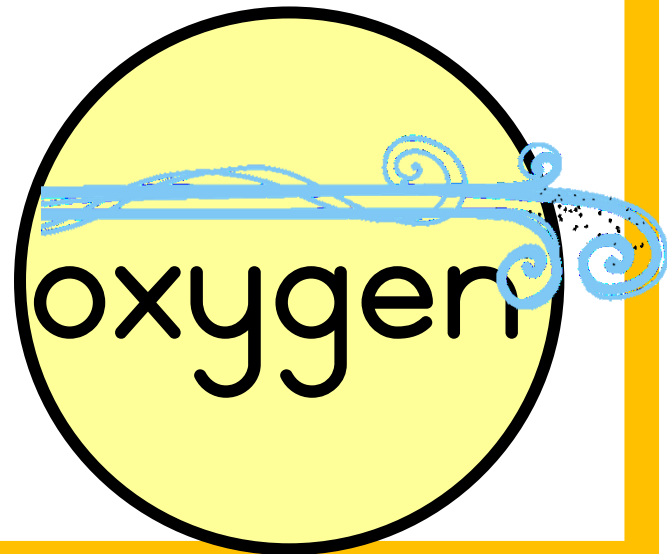
Heat like a flame

lighter  
or  
matches



The gas  
from air

oxygen



Veld fires are sometimes good, because they help new plants to grow.



Bad wildfires can destroy plants and animals. They also lead to soil erosion and air pollution.

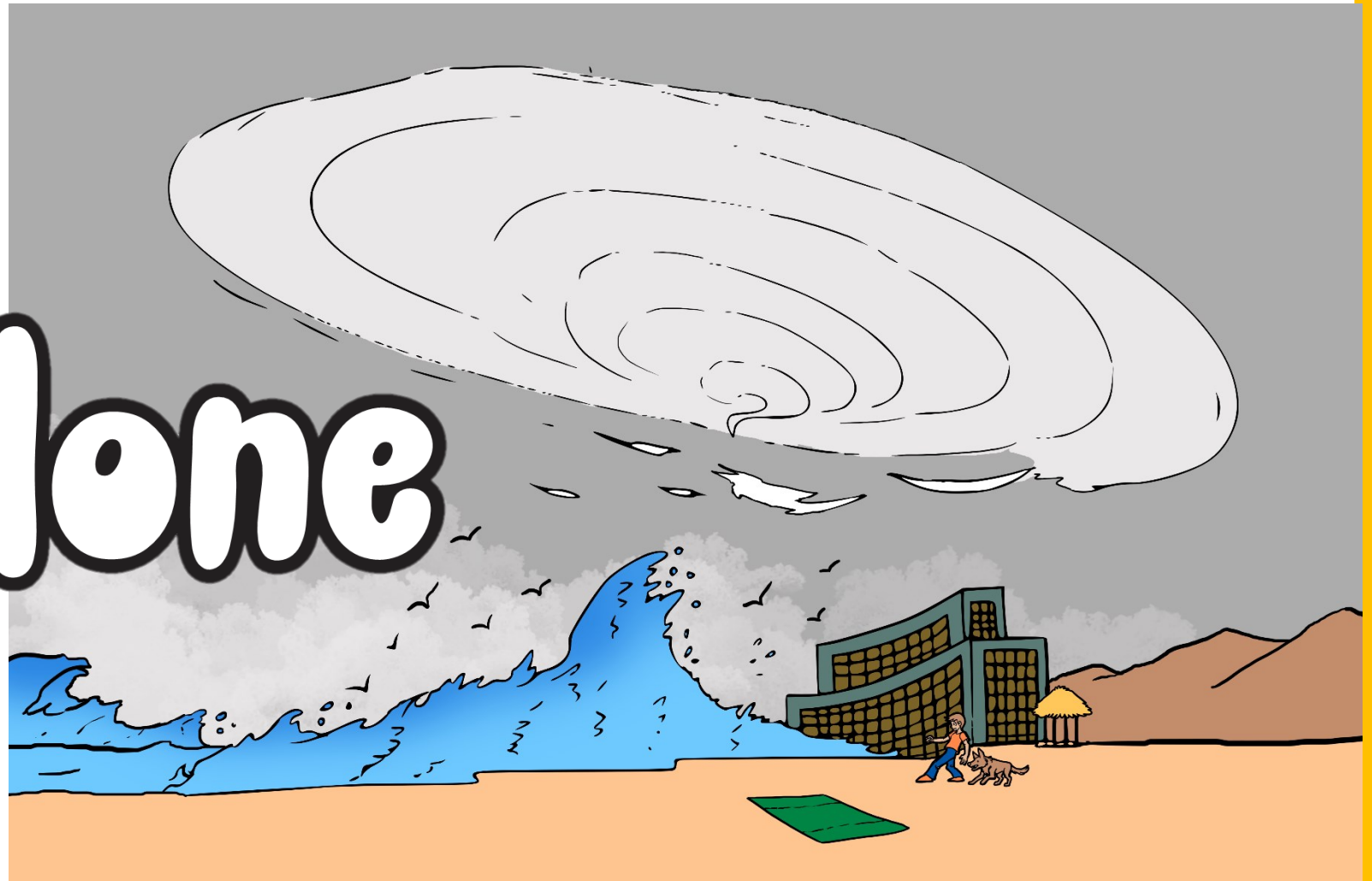
A hurricane is a very strong wind  
that causes serious damage.

# Hurricane



A Cyclone happens when winds turn around a centre part that is quiet and still.

cyclone



# Tornado

A tornado is a  
violent whirlwind over  
a small area.





An earthquake happens when a part of the earth's crust moves suddenly and shakes or trembles.

# Earthquake

