



**F**ires make breaking news! Do any stories in current newspapers deal with fires? Check newspaper archives for recent stories that deal with fires. Do you find archived stories?

Answer the questions based on what you read:

1. When and where did the fires take place?
2. What caused the fires?
3. What harm did the fires cause?
4. What could have prevented the fires?
5. What did firefighters do in each situation?

Follow up by selecting words from the stories that you think are critical to understanding their meaning.

Then copy the full text of the stories into a technology tool to create clouds or designs that show the words used most often in the stories. Did you select the same key words that appear in large type in the cloud/design generator? Why might your words and the words in the cloud/design be the same and/or different from the ones you chose as key words?

## **Be Creative!**

Look throughout your print and online newspapers for fire-related words or images. Create a message based on what you find.

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