

Answers

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Thriving conditions: strong winds; little to no rain; dry grasslands; eucalyptus forests; flammable and combustible environments

1. Human actions: arson; controlled burning that gets out of control; embers from BBQs; discarded cigarettes; faulty electrical equipment
2. This means that they are more likely to survive in the event of a bushfire.
3. It is fast-moving so has a high chance of fleeing from the fire.

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3. 1 = human; 2 = natural

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Answers will vary

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Possible responses:

1. Sweep up leaves
2. Remove leaves from guttering
3. Cut back low-hanging trees
4. Store flammable liquids in a shed
5. Close all windows and doors
6. Make sure pets are kept inside
7. Remove newspaper from the table
8. Keep the grass mowed
9. Relocate pot plants away from the house
10. Fix broken tile on roof

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1. Wildlife: can be injured or killed in fires. Some

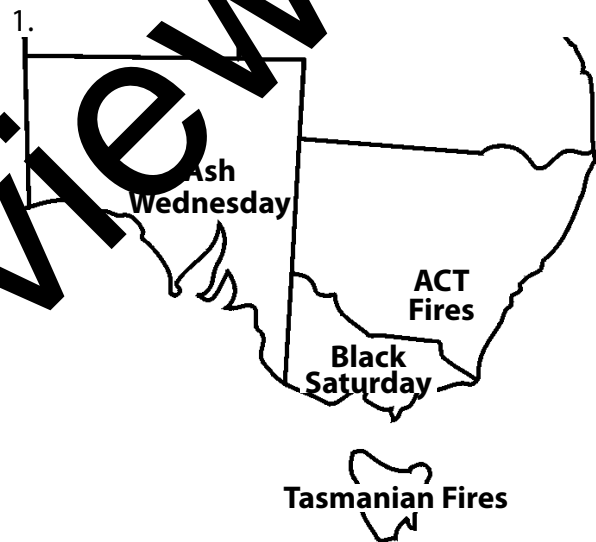
animals will need help relocating
Vegetation: can be destroyed, although some might resprout and grow back stronger

Property: can be damaged or completely burned down; possessions can be lost

People: some people might not have time to evacuate in the event of a bushfire and might get caught in the fire

2. It is important to report a bushfire early because it has less chance of spreading and getting out of control; it makes it easier for firefighters to battle

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2. The Black Saturday bushfires were the worst. More people were killed and more buildings were destroyed. Students can compare the statistics.