

SOBIESKI HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

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# ONE TEAR CAN'T PUT OUT THE FLAMES

A SHORT  
STORY ABOUT FORESTFIREPROTECTION IN POLAND AND  
EUROPE

YOUNG PEOPLE IN EUROPEAN  
FORESTS

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BACKGROUND: PINE IN SOKOLICA, THE PIENIN MOUNTAINS

# DO YOU KNOW THAT...?

**65** PERCENT  
of european forests(especially  
in Spain, Greece, Ukraine) is  
endangering by a possibility  
of fire

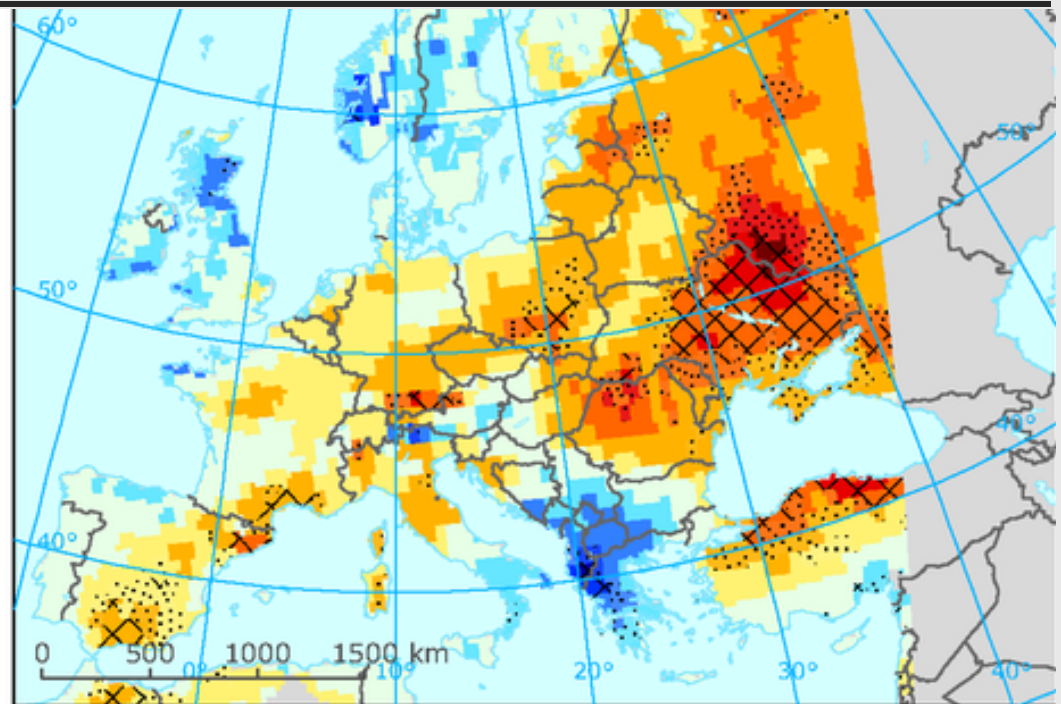
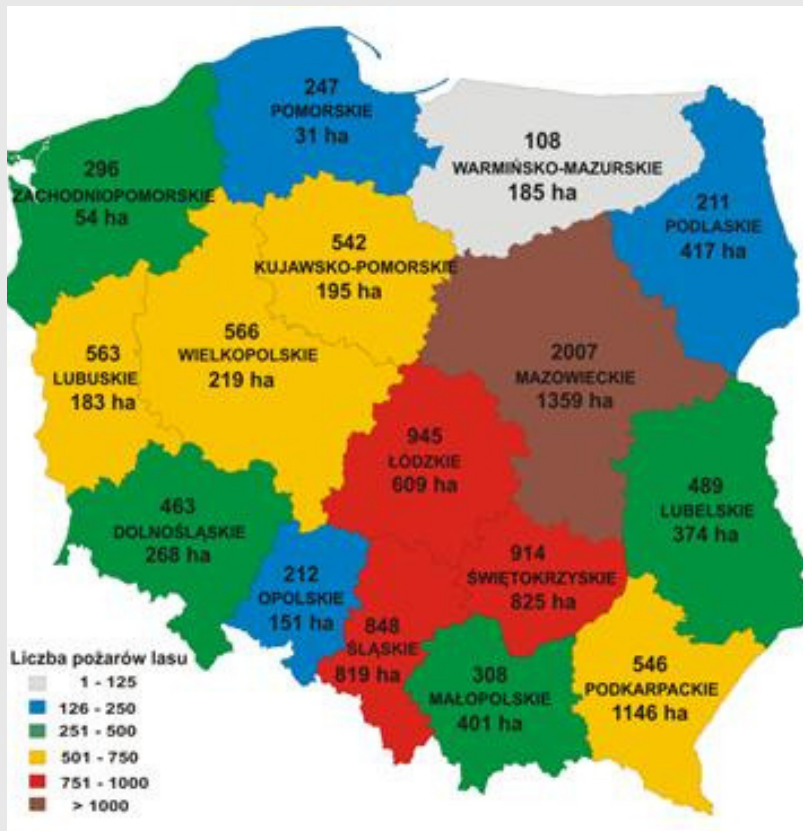
**938** CONFLAGARATIONS  
on 322 ha surface in polish  
forest in 2009

**83** PERCENT  
of polish forests is  
endangering by a possibility  
of fire

**4** REGIONS  
Masovian, Świętokrzyskie,  
Silesian and Łódź in Poland is  
the most exposed by fires.  
Year by year almost 750 fires  
is concentrated in this area

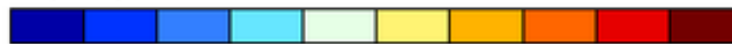
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## BEYOND THE FLAMES



### Trend of forest fire danger

% per year



< -3  
-3 to -2  
-2 to -1  
-1 to -0.5  
-0.5 to 0.5  
0.5 to 1  
1 to 2  
2 to 3  
3 to 4  
> 4

Statistical  
significance of  
fire danger trend



Highly significant  
( $p < 0.01$ )

Significant  
( $p < 0.05$ )

SOME STATISTIC SHOWING FIREIS IN POLAND  
(LEFT) AND IN EUROPE(RIGHT)



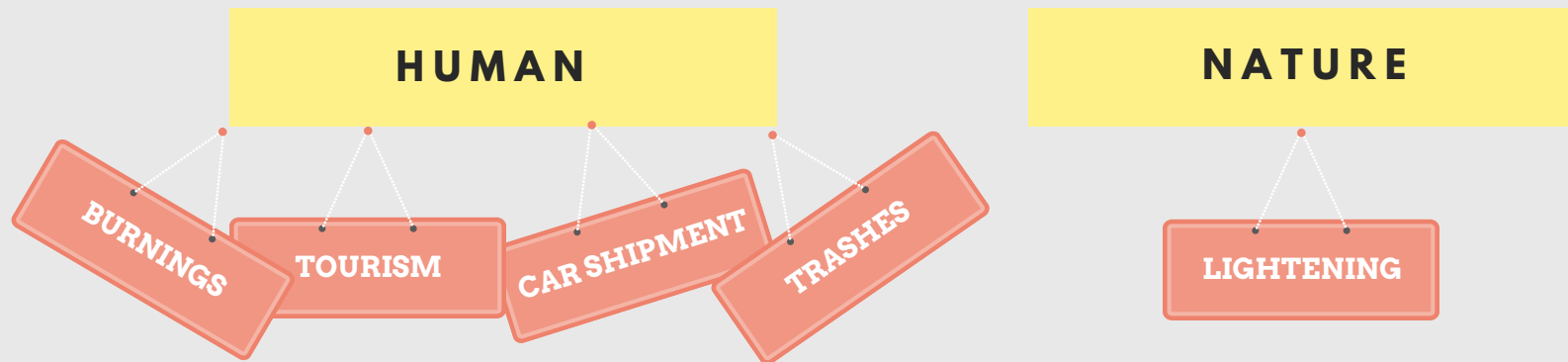
# WHAT IS FIRE?

## FIRE

*by polish dictionary*

is uncontrolled, self-acting fire spreading, burning down places which are not supposed to, such as houses, forests, etc. In forests we say about few types of fires:  
underground, earthboud, top arts of trees, single trees.

# WHAT CAUSES FIRE?







# EFFECTS OF FIRES

## EVERY FIRE HAS A DARK SIDE

*you should know that...*

1. A lot of quantities of CO<sub>2</sub>, C and different metals in atmosphere what causes climate changes and green house effect
2. Deaths of many plants and animals species what has negative effect on ecosystem

3. Soil removal

4. Losing jobs and financial losses

Also worth knowing is that when you want to neutralize the effect of CO<sub>2</sub> emission from 1 ha burned fire you should plant 20 ha of trees



# WHAT MOTIVES FIRE DANGER

## METOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS

temperature higher than 24 Celcius degrees, dampness under 40%, a little number of precipitation, wind

## TYPE OF FORESTS

more fires is in the coniferous forests

## AGE

If the tree is under 60 years old is more possible to blow-up the fire.

# PROTECTION

## HOW WE PREVENT THE FOREST FIRES?

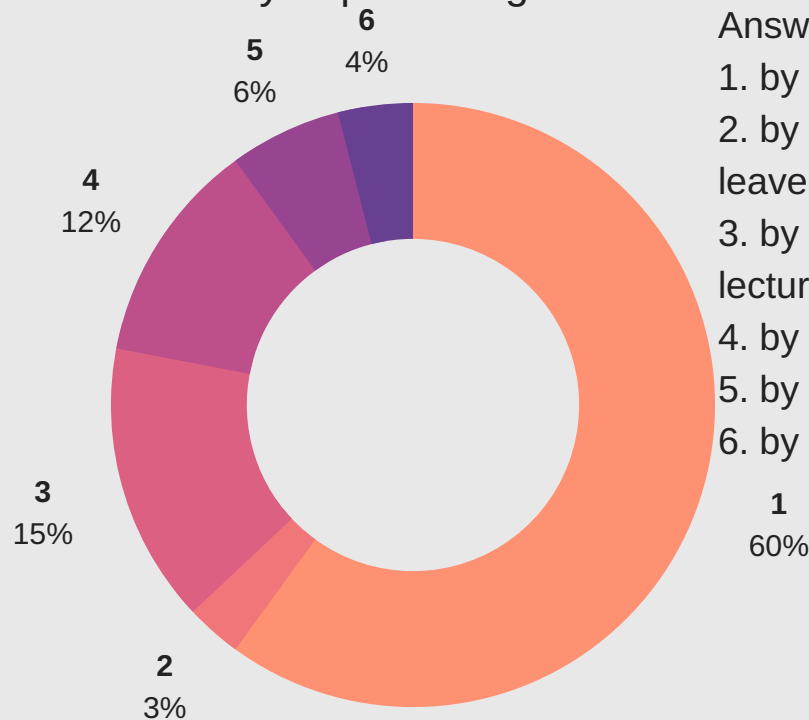
1. *by following the law*
2. *organising employee training*
3. *safety behavior in forests*
4. *by changing coniferous forests to leaved forests*
5. *by using firebreaks*
6. *organising society campaign*
7. *observing forest areas*





## RESULTS OF SURVEY ABOUT FIREPROTECTION

On the 17th of April our team conducted survey in Sobieski High School about examples of fireprotection. Interviewees, 100 students of that high school were supposed to choose the best way of protecting forests from fire.



Answers:

1. by following the law
2. by proper behaviour in forests (do not leave trash, cigarettes)
3. by educating society about forests by lectures and competitions
4. by using firebraks and sources of water
5. by planting new trees
6. by improving fire department



# FORESTS ARE OUR LUNGS



## WHY FORESTS ARE SO IMPORTANT?

*why we should enshrine them?*

Reason of this is that:

1. Forests clean the air from toxic substances
2. Forests control the water level in soil

3. Forests are home for many animals
  4. They are nice place for relax and recreation for people
  5. They ensure timber
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**9 PER 10 FIRES IS BECAUSE  
OF HUMAN.  
LET'S SAVE FOREST FROM  
FIRE!  
ONE TEAR CAN'T PUT OUT  
THE FLAMES!**

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# THANK YOU!

BEYOND THE FLAMES

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POLAND

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