

# Fire Behavior Terms to Know

## Parts of a Fire

Ignition point (point of origin)

Flaming Front

Head

Back (rear, base, tail, heel)

Left flank

Right flank

Pocket

Finger

Island

Spot fire

## Fire Action

Heading fire

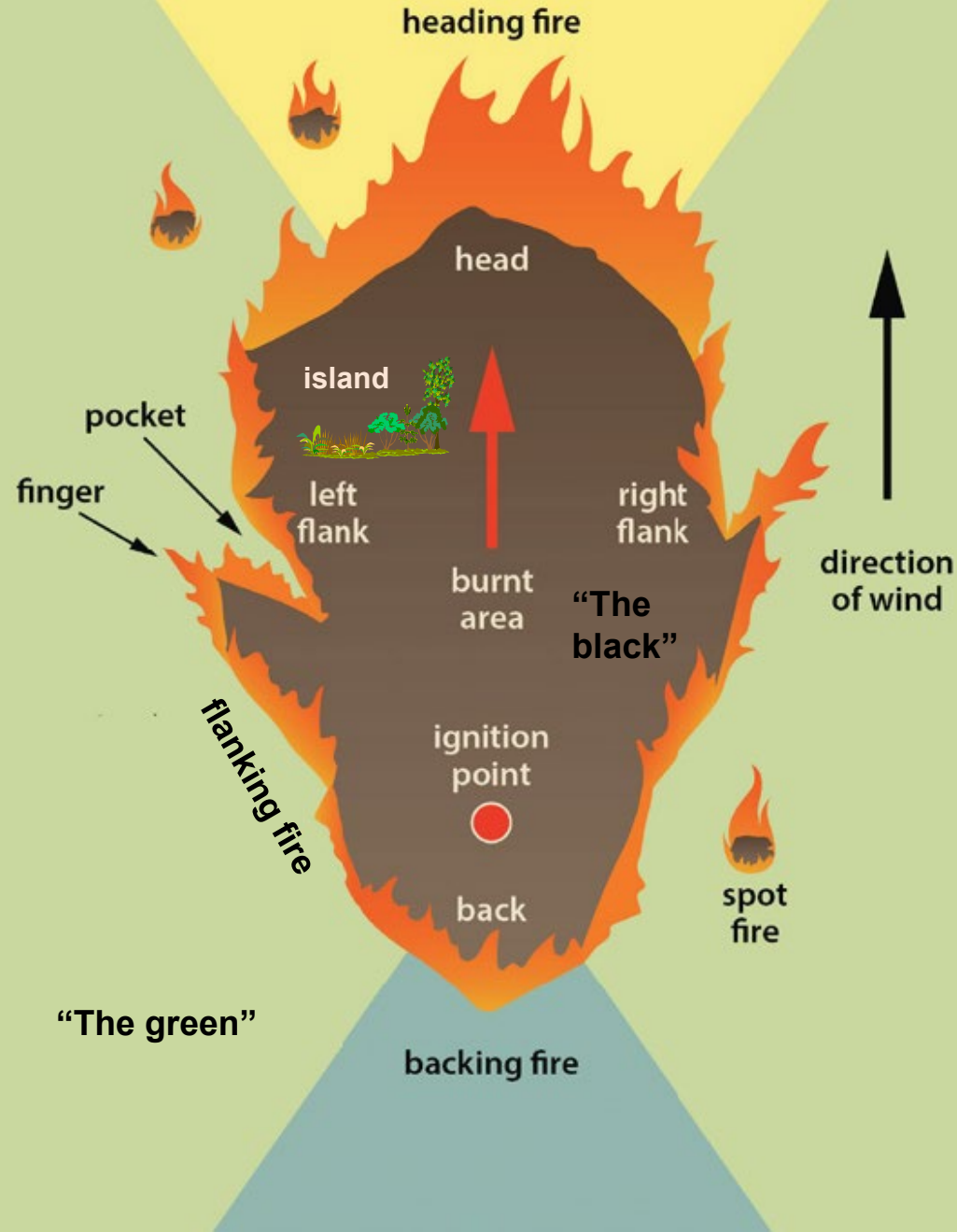
Backing fire

Flanking fire

## Zones

"The black"

"The green"



## Location of Fire

Ground (subsurface)

Surface

Crown

## Behavior

Smoldering

Creeping

Running

Crowning

Spotting

Torching

Flare-up

Blow-up

## Intensity vs Severity

Intensity = how hot

Severity = effect on soil and vegetation