

AUTHOR'S PURPOSE

- A Read the following passage and determine the author's purpose.

Forest fires are large, uncontrolled fires that take place in the forest. Most fires that are started by natural causes are started by lightning. Other natural causes include volcanic eruptions, heat waves, droughts, and sparks from falling rocks. Some forest fires are helpful to the forest. They can clean out debris that has accumulated below the trees. By burning debris, fires help enrich the soil and make room for new trees to grow. Wildfires in the United States typically burn between 4 million and 9 million acres each year. Billions of dollars are spent every year fighting fires in the United States.

What is the author's purpose in writing the above passage?

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B Read the following passage and determine the author's purpose.

Do you know, 4 out of 5 forest fires occur out of human carelessness? In order to prevent forest fires, everyone must take precautions. Never start a campfire in a restricted area and never leave it unattended. Do not ignite fireworks in a wooden area. Always pay attention to local authorities' advice on wildfires.

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