

# Getting on Better (2024)

Arguments are like fire



## ➔ The LOGS



What issues do you argue about most?

## ➔ The MATCH



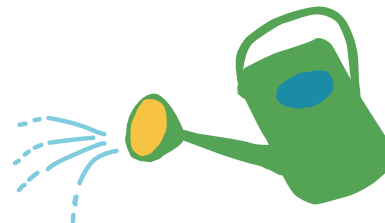
What usually starts an argument?

## ➔ The FUEL



What makes it worse?  
Are you fuelling the fire?

## ➔ The WATER



What helps calm things down?



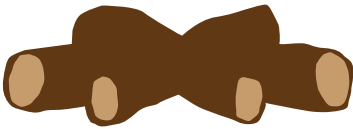
# Arguments are like fire

## 1) You can think of arguments as a fire.

The **LOGS** are the things you argue about most. Even when you're getting on well, the logs are still there.

Some common ones are:

- Money.
- Friends.
- Housework.
- Sex.
- Children.



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## 2) The **MATCH** can be anything that starts an argument. It's often something small:

- The wrong tone of voice.
- Feeling stressed.
- Not listening to each other.



## 3) Once the argument has started, we can make things worse by the way we respond. This can **ADD FUEL** to the fire:

- Raising your voice.
- Walking out.
- Bottling things up.
- Saying hurtful things.
- Bringing up old arguments.



## 4) There are also things we can do to stop the argument getting worse. This is like putting **WATER** on the fire.

- Taking a break.
- Listening.
- Saying sorry.
- Having a hug.



### A few things to try:

- a) Think about what your logs might be.
- b) Next time you argue, try to notice when you're adding fuel.
  - a) See if you can water things down before the argument escalates.