



## ***Teacher's Guide***

### **The Hill of Fire**

#### **Moko**

#### **Grade Levels:**

K-5

#### **Subject Areas:**

Reading

Writing/Composition

Media Literacy/Critical Thinking

Earth Sciences

#### **Synopsis:**

One morning, Moko was out when a storm approached. He thought he should take shelter under a large tree. An old man arrived and told him they needed to go back to the village, as during storms a tree always goes up in flames. Sure enough, a tree caught fire. Moko thought the man was surely a magician, to know what was going to happen.

#### **Learning Objectives:** Students will:

- Enjoy the origin story presented in this program.
- Understand how a thunderstorm forms.
- Evaluate Moko's reasoning and conclusions.

#### **Vocabulary:**

Lightning, thunderstorm, precipitation, weather, climate, cumulonimbus

#### **Pre-Viewing Discussion:**

Have you ever been in a bad thunderstorm? What was that like?

Why can storms be dangerous?

#### **Post-Viewing Discussion:**

How did Moko think the man knew what would happen? How did the man say he knew?

What causes a thunderstorm?

#### **Further Activities:**

Study recent storms that have impacted areas around you. Find out what causes these storms and what you can do to protect yourself in these situations.