

YAVAPAI COUNTY SEARCH & RESCUE

SEARCH DOG UNIT

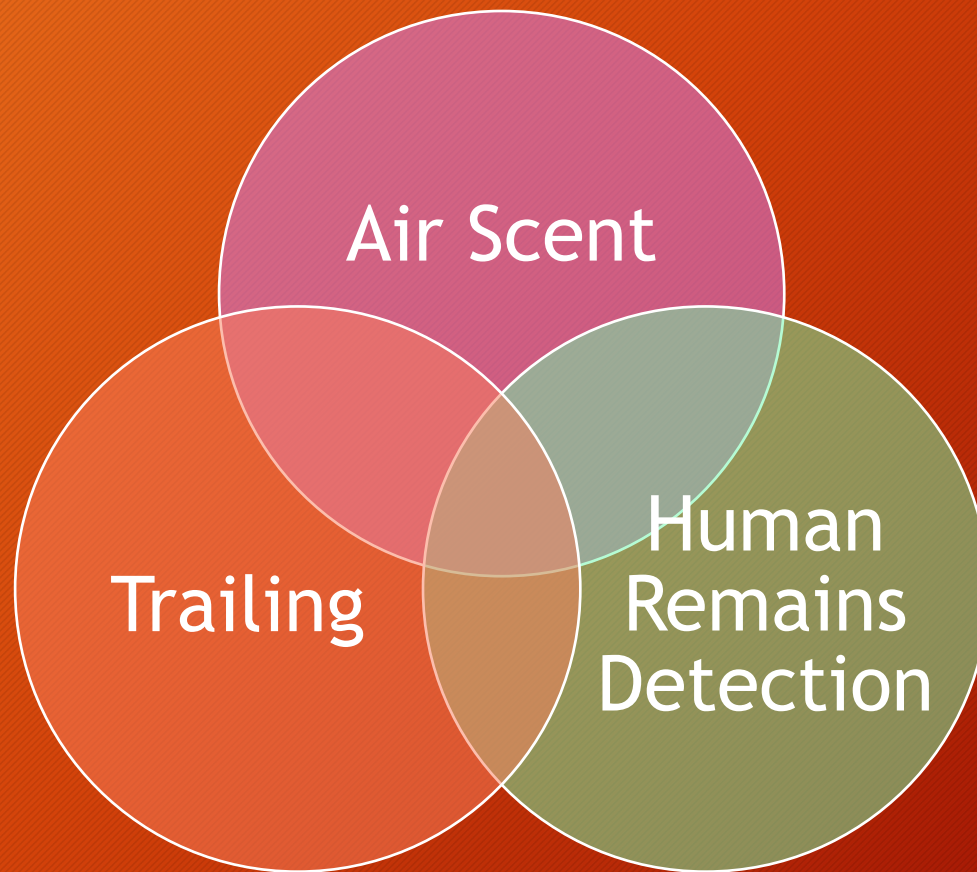


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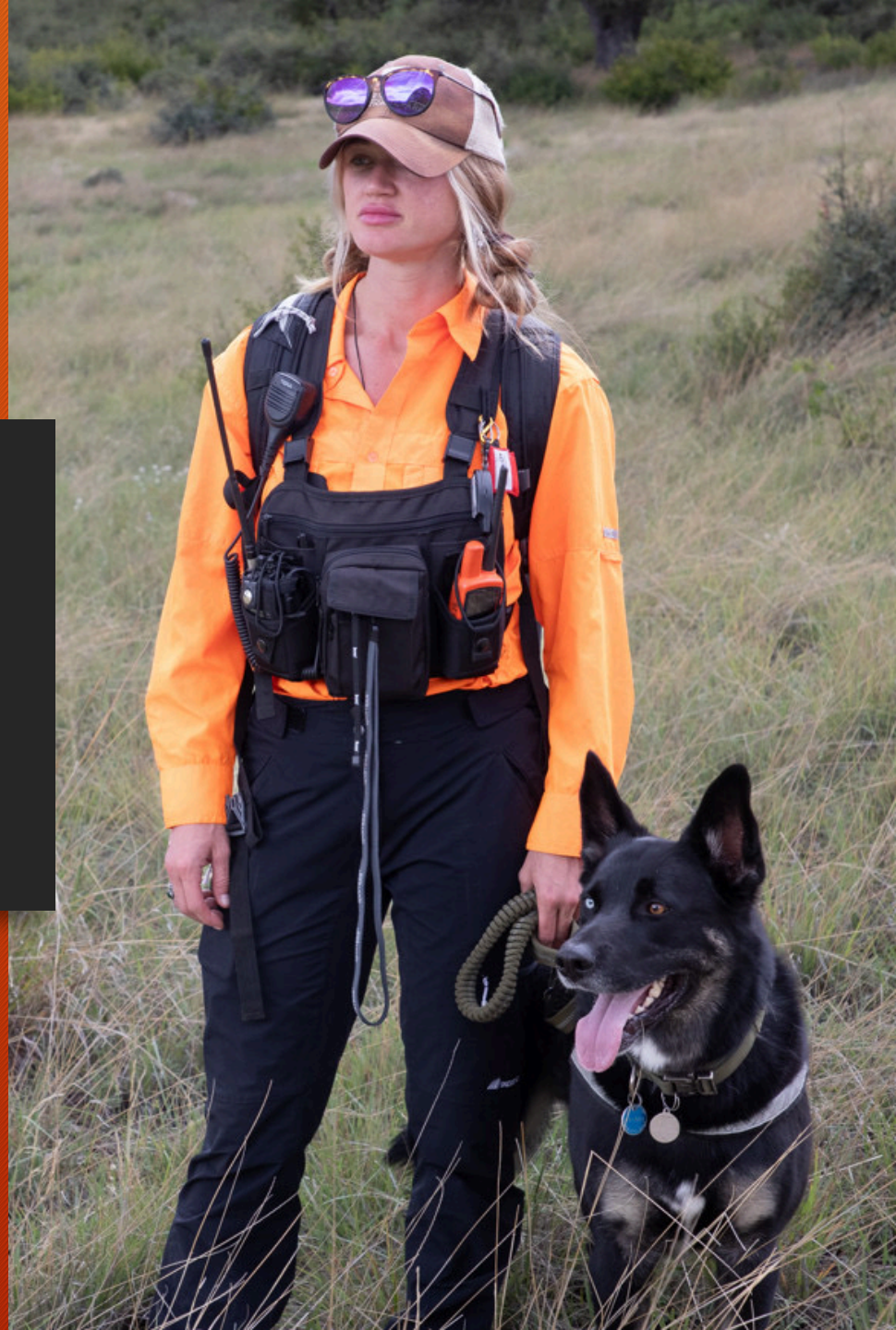
HOW DO WE TRAIN OUR K9s FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE?

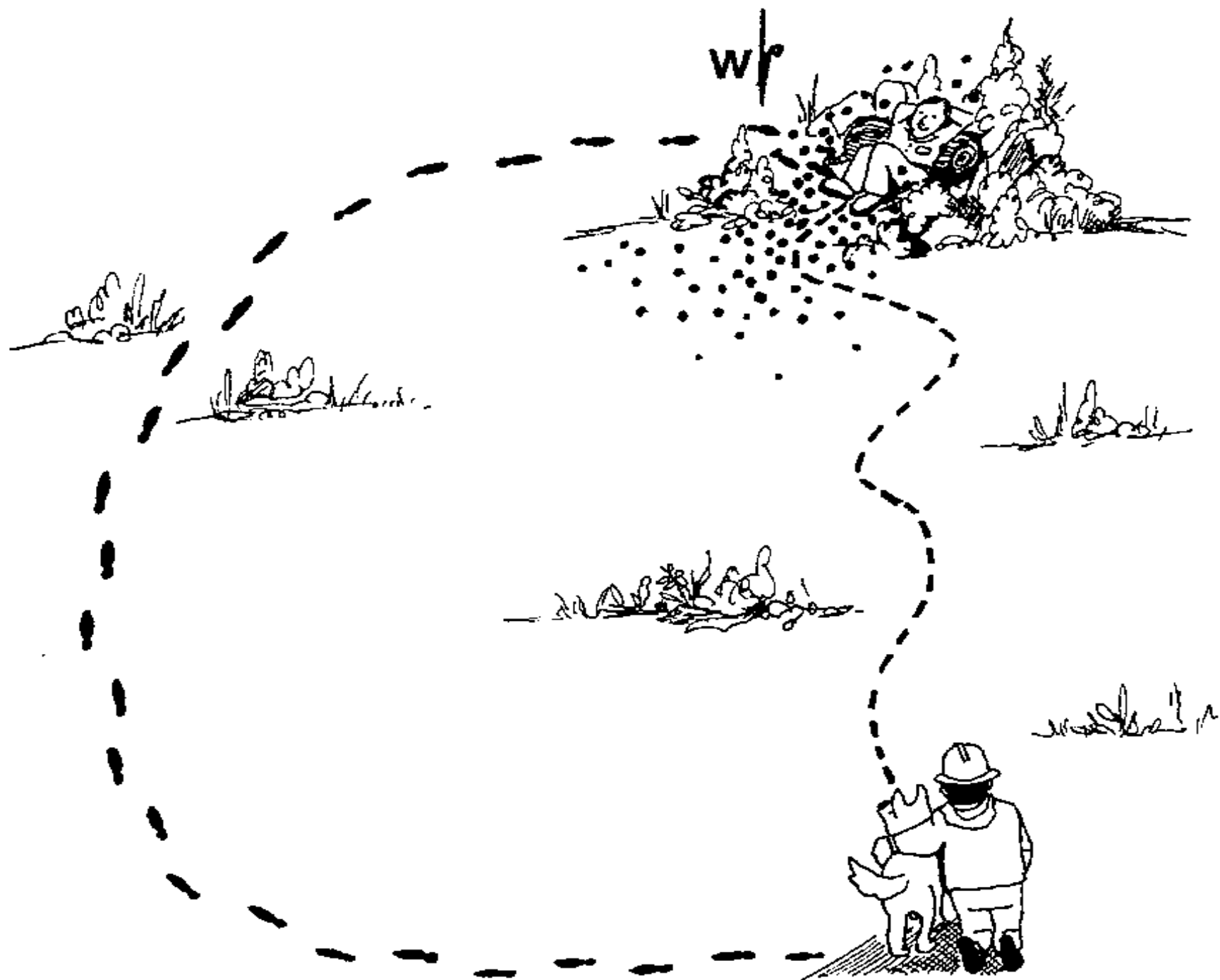
Bring on the Dogs!

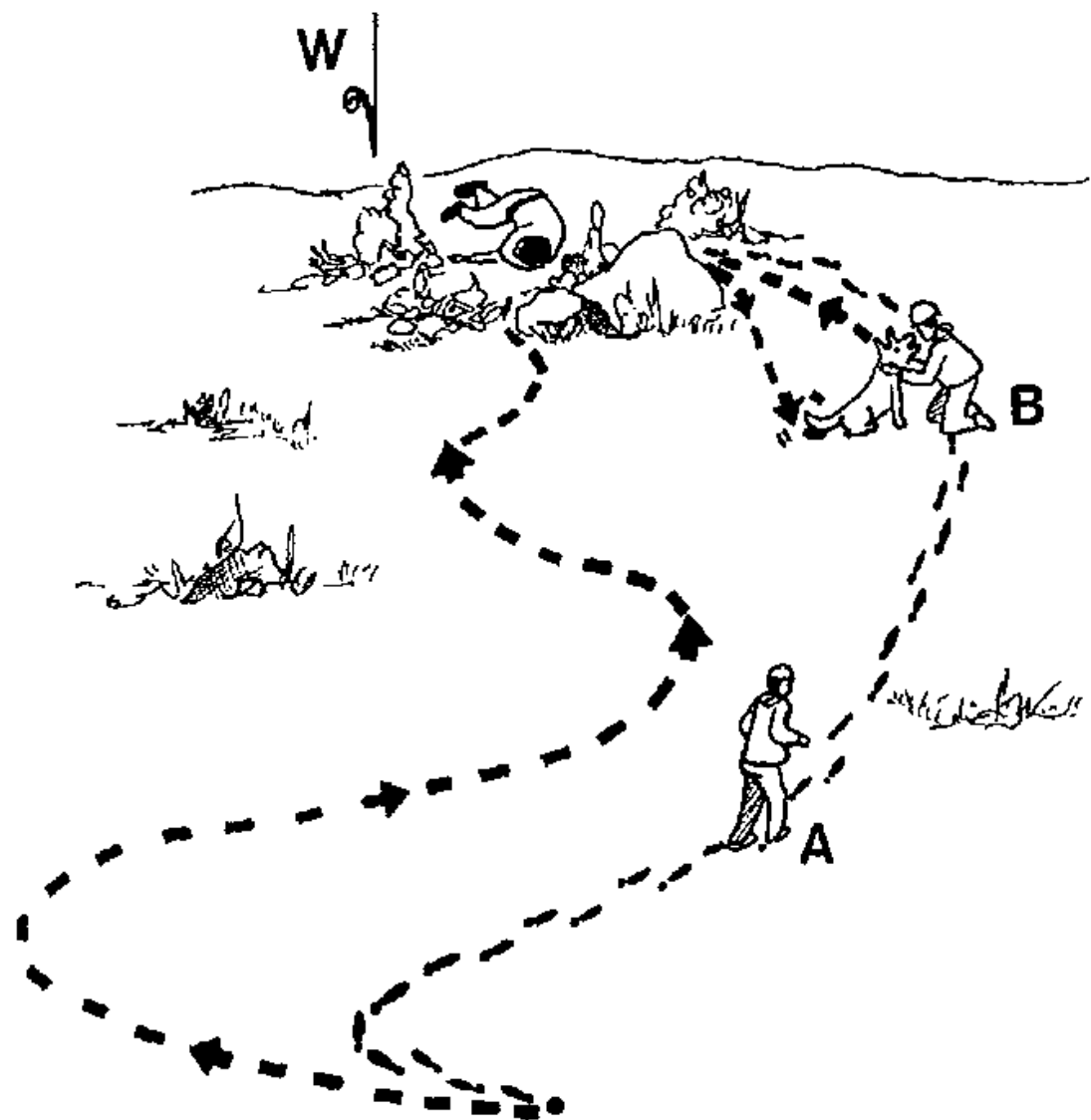


Live Find

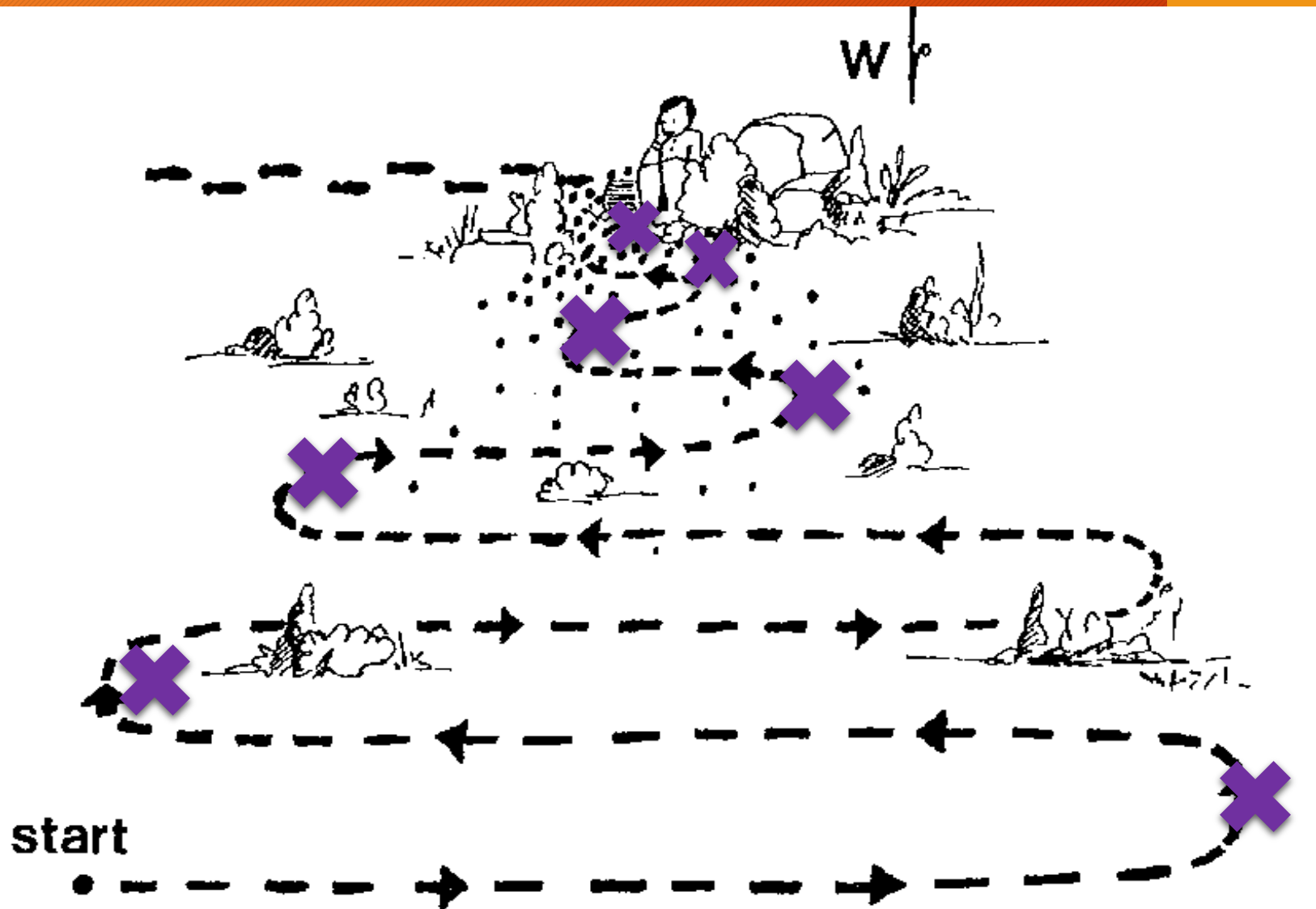
Air Scent & Trailing Disciplines







Air Scent



Trailing



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Scent Article -
Item that only
the missing
subject has
worn or
touched



Human Remains Detection



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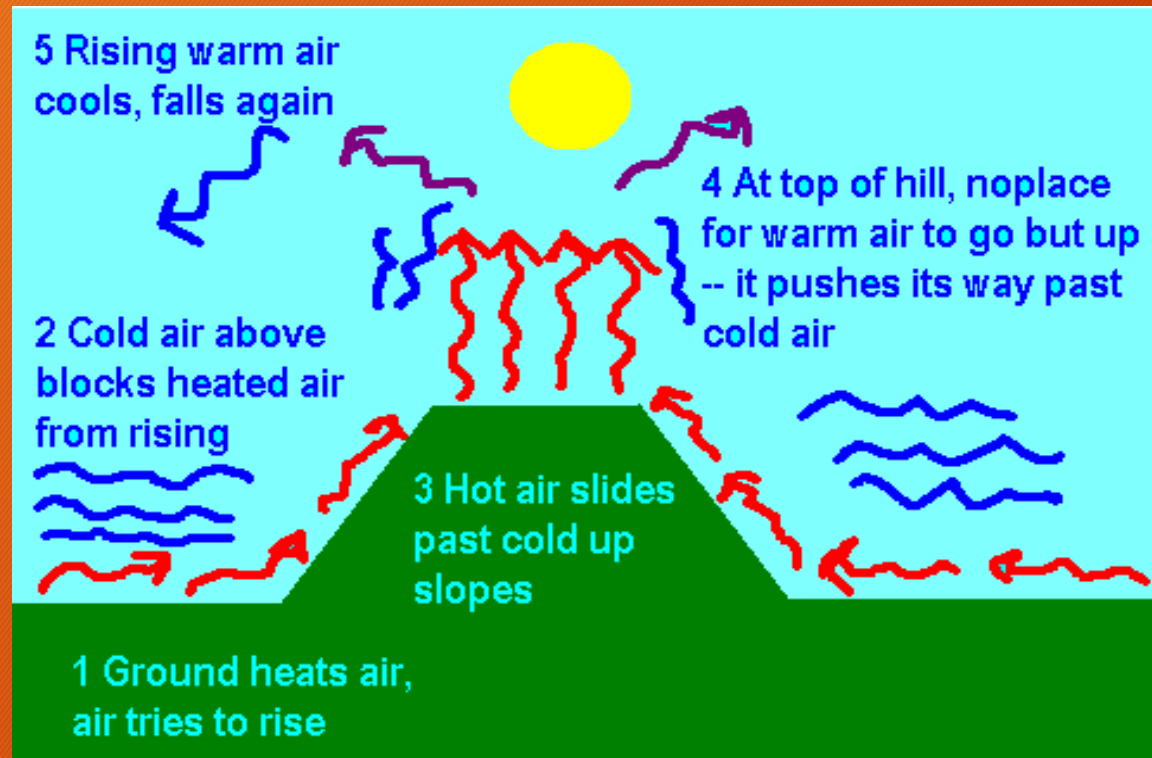
Foundation starts with imprinting the scent and getting a trained final response down pat

- Imprinting Station
- Boxes/line up
- Wheel

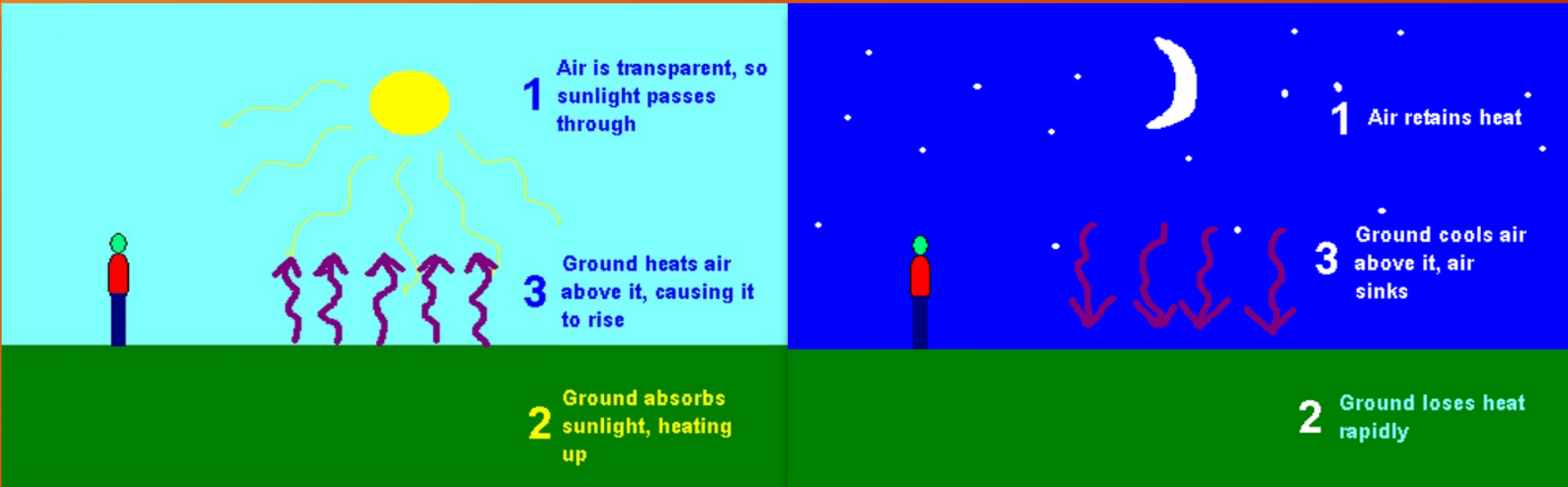




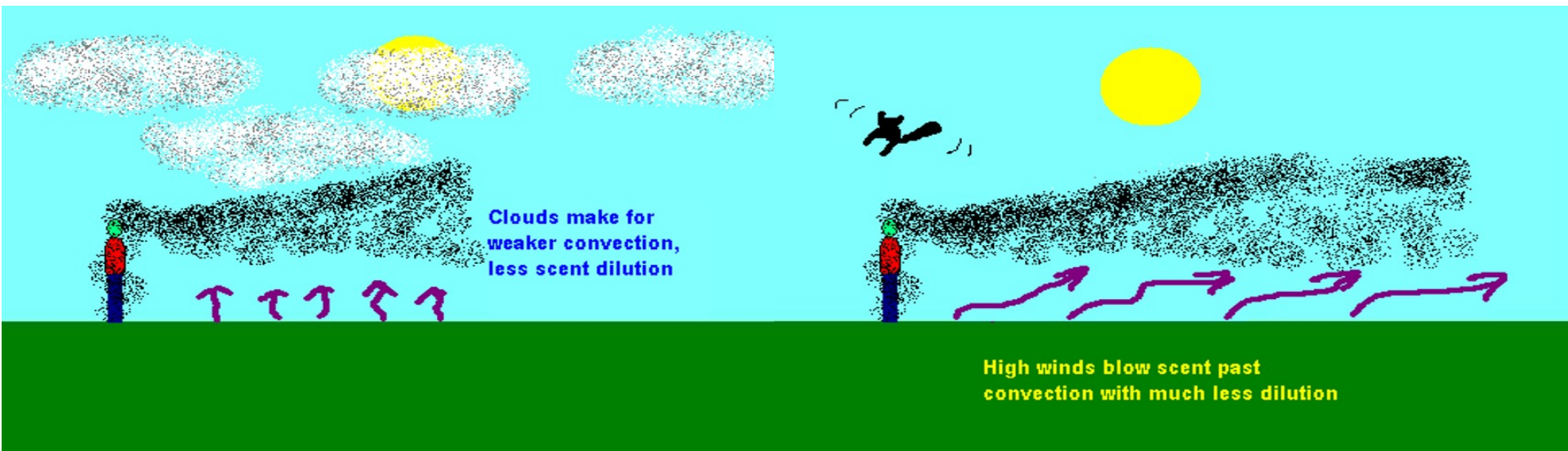
HRD - Training



K9 Search Considerations-Terrain



K9 Search Considerations- Time of Day



K9 Search Considerations- Wind & Cloud Cover

Rules of the Dog



NO SMOKING AROUND THE K9

A canine sense of smell is said to be a thousand times more sensitive than that of humans.

Canine have more than 220 million olfactory receptors, while human have only 5 million.

Have as much as 150 square centimeters of scent-sensing material in their noses. The human nose has only three-square centimeters of olfactory membrane.

Dogs also have forty times more scent processing cells in their brains than humans.

The effects of GAS....



No...not that type of gas

Try to keep any running vehicle (especially a diesel vehicle) away from the SDU cars. This is for the same reason you shouldn't smoke around the K9

No Touching A
Working K9



No Eating
around the
working K9



Our dogs are not
bite trained.
We will not work a
dangerous search
call.





How to work with a dog team in
the field

& RESCUE



- Follow the “rules of the dog”
- Have a briefing with the K9 handler-he/she will let you know any specifics about working with their specific dog.
- Stay relatively close BUT BEHIND the K9 handler-too far and the dog will have to “round” everyone up.
- If you need to stop for any reason, just let the K9 handler know.
- The K9 handler will be focused on watching for the dog’s change of behavior. So, your job as a flanker will be to focus on navigation, comms, and safety

**Thank you for
your support!**

Questions?

