

## GENEALOGY OF BIFURCATION

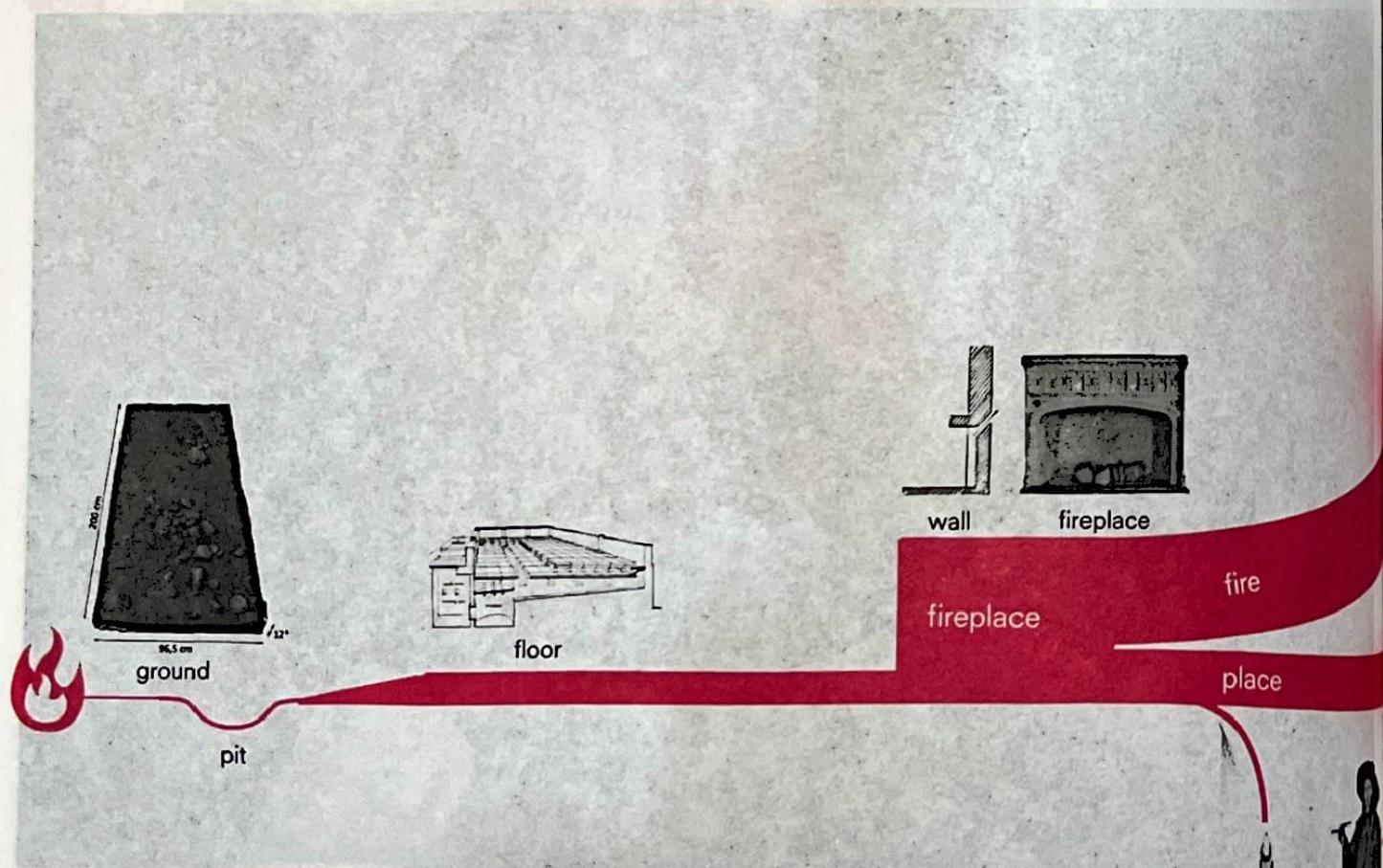
From the caveman to the toaster, the task of managing fire is the pre-eminent catalyst of technological and therefore cultural evolution. Progressing through history, the fireplace's various functions branch off into discrete devices, so while the fireplace seems to have virtually disappeared by the mid 20th century, in fact, combustion is ubiquitous, disguised in multiple offshoots and derivatives...

...and in all sites of human habitation. This function is the source火种 and, as this locus, gathers around it all that naturally occurs and is heat-wed. Through this fire, the earth is the enduring ground and determinative middle - the site of all sites, as it were, the homestead pure and simple, toward which abiding presences alongside and together with everything else and thus first is."

—Heidegger, *Being and Time*, 1927

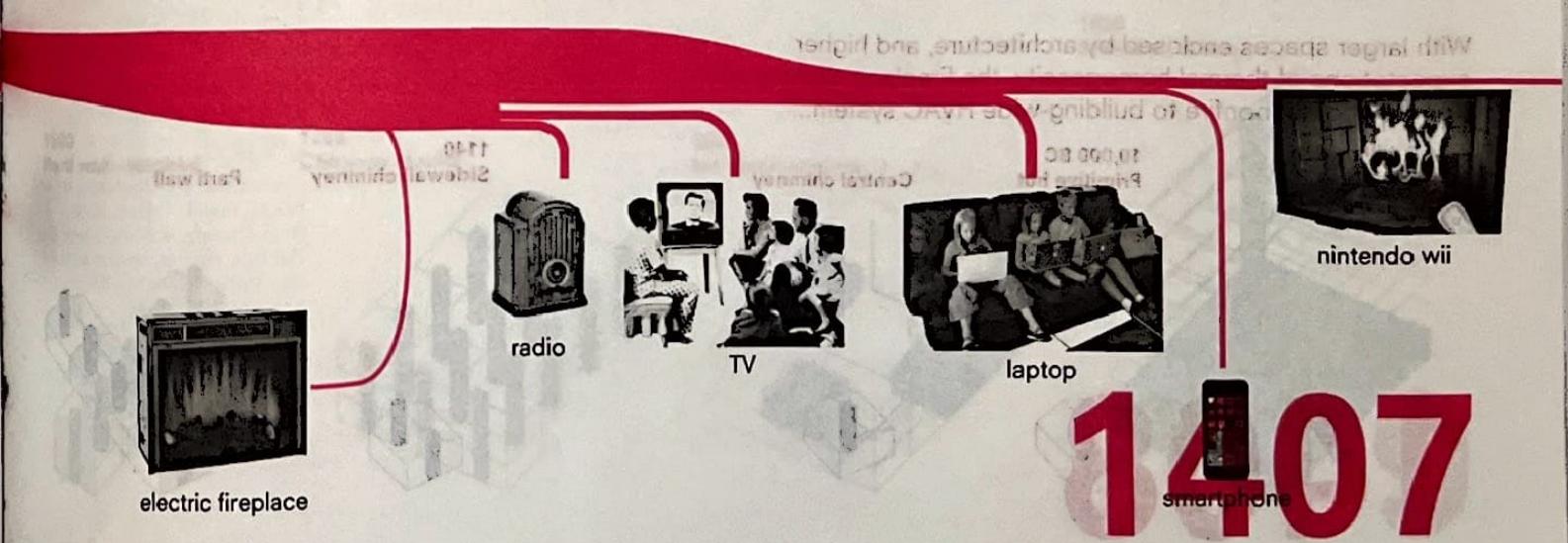
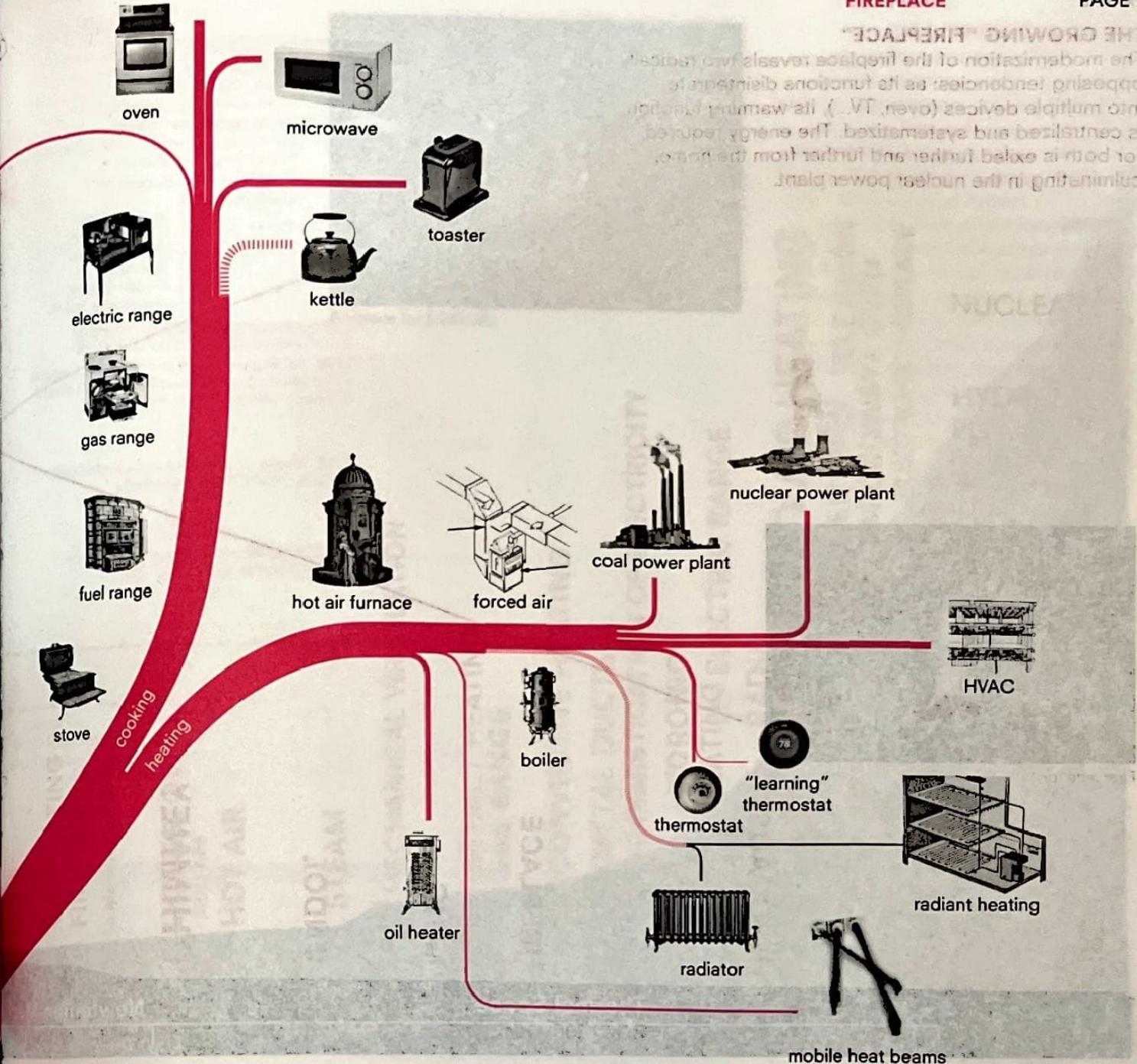


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## THE GROWING "FIREPLACE"

The-born nation to the living room is a new trend in the industry. As all new devices (TV, laptop, etc.) into our living room, the new trend is to connect these devices to the fireplace. This is because the fireplace is the center of the home, and it can be used for both heating and entertainment.



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