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It's An Earthquake!



In the Natural History Museum* in London there is a special "Earthquake*" Room". In this room there are videos of earthquakes around the world. There is also a special "Earthquake Machine*". When you stand in it, you feel like you are in a real earthquake. It's not dangerous, but it's scary!

Ann and Ben are at the Natural History Museum.

Ann: Ooh ... look at that room over there. It looks like* a supermarket. Let's go in.

Ben: Wait! This sign says "Earthquake Machine". What do you think it is?

Guide: It shows you what a real earthquake is like. Do you want to go in?

Ben: OK. Let's go, Ann. ... Hey! What's happening?

Ann: The floor is moving! It's an earthquake! HELP!

Ben: Look at the boxes on the shelves. They're falling off!

Ann: And the supermarket carts* are all moving, too. Help! I'm falling!

Ben: Don't worry. It's stopping now.

Ann: Wow, that was scary! Let's get out of here before it starts again.

Ben: Where can we go now? What can we look at next?

Ann: I know. Let's go look at some nice, safe dinosaurs ...

*Natural History Museum המוזיאון להיסטוריה של הטבע / متحف التاريخ الطبيعي

*earthquake רעידת אדמה / زلازل أرضية

*machine מכונה / ماكينة

*looks like נראה כמו / يبدو مثل

*supermarket carts עגלות סופרמרקט / عربات السوبرماركت



Did You Understand?

A. Number the sentences in the order that they happened.

- a. The floor begins to move.
- b. The children go into the Natural History Museum.
- c. The children go to look at dinosaurs.
- d. They go into the Earthquake Machine.
- e. The floor stops moving.
- f. The boxes fall off the shelves.

B. Answer the questions.

1. What museum do Ann and Ben visit?

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2. What can you see in the Earthquake Room?

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3. What can you feel in the Earthquake Room?

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4. What does the Earthquake Machine look like?

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5. What makes the Earthquake Machine scary? Write TWO things.

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6. a. Who didn't enjoy the Earthquake Machine?

b. How do you know?

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7. Would you like to go into the Earthquake Machine? Explain your answer.

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Vocabulary

A. Write T (true) or F (false).

- 1. Some snakes are **dangerous**.
- 2. Superman is a **real** person.
- 3. You can see interesting things in a **museum**.
- 4. Swimming with sharks is **safe**.

B. Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

show scary around the world falls off get out

- 1. Can you me your new jeans?
- 2. Let's of the car and go for a walk.
- 3. I don't like to watch movies.
- 4. Omer wants to go and see different countries.
- 5. Sam wants to be a clown. He puts a ball on his head, but it
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Something Extra

Write as many words as you can from the letters in the word below.

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