Environmental Changes causing Endangerment or Extinction

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Read and answer the questions below.

1. What are two types of natural disasters that can cause rapid changes to the environment?

2. New additions of plant and animal life caused as a result of changes to the ecosystem are called _____.

3. When can forest fires occur on Bahamian islands?

4. Number the steps involved in the addition of new plants to the forest from 1- 3.

_____ Nutrients are released in the soil.

_____ Dormant seeds germinate and grass sprouts.

_____ Fire burns leaves and branches.

5. What adaptation do pine trees have that aid in survival?

6. Choose three (3) activities that can affect the ecosystem.

7. Activities that affect the ecosystem can lead to **endangerment** or **extinction** of animals.

7a. The term "endangerment" means _____.

7b. Ther term "extinction" means _____.

8. Identify these endangered species of the Bahamas.

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