

Vocabulary

The biggest bang in history

1a Write the noun forms of the verbs.

- 1 explain explanation
- 2 disappear _____
- 3 destroy _____
- 4 explode _____
- 5 crash _____
- 6 inspire _____
- 7 smoke _____
- 8 erupt _____

b Find the nouns from exercise 1a. Look → and ↓.

d	e	s	t	r	u	c	t	i	o	n
i	x	t	y	j	n	r	m	n	m	v
s	p	g	d	s	a	a	z	s	x	c
a	l	q	w	r	t	s	t	p	h	j
p	o	z	x	c	b	h	n	i	b	n
p	s	m	o	k	e	u	i	r	o	l
e	i	a	p	b	u	g	c	a	n	m
a	o	z	l	j	h	k	o	t	v	p
r	n	i	o	g	q	o	d	i	e	q
a	w	w	m	r	r	m	f	o	a	j
n	e	q	g	e	u	k	r	n	m	k
c	e	r	u	p	t	i	o	n	h	j
e	x	p	l	a	n	a	t	i	o	n

2 Complete the sentences with the words below.

shake destroy explosion
volcanic eruption ✓ ash gunfire
uninhabited island sailing ship loud noise

- 1 Many people died in Pompeii when there was a volcanic eruption.
- 2 Natural disasters often _____ everything around them.
- 3 Columns of _____ and smoke explode into the sky when a volcano erupts.
- 4 Lots of people dream about living on an _____ but it might be very dangerous.
- 5 When the volcano exploded, we heard a _____. It was louder than an _____ or _____. Everyone started to _____ with fear.
- 6 They crossed the ocean in a _____.

Reading

3 Look at the photos and read the title of the text and the first paragraph. Choose the best answer.

1 The text is

- a a magazine article with interviews.
- b two diary extracts by disaster survivors.

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Every year, thousands of people's lives are affected by disasters. This week, in News Magazine two disaster survivors, Jamie King and Fiona Jones, tell us their stories.

Jamie King

NM: Jamie, you were in an air disaster.

1 _____

JK: Two months ago. We were flying home after a holiday on a Greek island and then disaster struck.

NM: **2** _____

JK: We were only in the air for a few minutes, we could still see the coast below. Suddenly there was an explosion and then two seconds later we heard another explosion. I looked out of the window and I could see a lot of smoke. The engine was on fire! Then the plane started to go down.

NM: **3** _____

JK: I was absolutely terrified! Lots of people started screaming and crying. We were very lucky. The man who was flying the plane was an excellent pilot. We crashed into the water, but the plane didn't sink. Everyone was able to get out of the plane.

