

Vocabulary – Disasters

Ex. 1 Complete the phrases:

warning clean gas rescue strong flooded heavy international

- 1 signs
- 2 news
- 3 explosion
- 4 water
- 5 snowfall
- 6 tunnels
- 7 winds
- 8 boats

Ex. 2 Choose the correct item:

- 1 The whole street was flooded **for** **with** water.
- 2 It was getting late and we were soon walking **in** **among** the dark.
- 3 Despite the warm clothes they had put **on** **after**, they felt cold.
- 4 Tony started a fire but the strong winds quickly put it **out** **over**.
- 5 They couldn't put **off** **at** the meeting to a later date.
- 6 An ambulance took them **by** **to** hospital.

Ex. 3 Choose the correct item

- 1 It was a **difficult** **heavy** rescue but everyone got out alive.
- 2 A **high** **huge** search for the boys started immediately.
- 3 The fireman that got the boy out of the burning house is a(n) **real** **alive** hero.
- 4 It wasn't easy to swim through the **rocky** **dark** water.
- 5 The journey home was long and **unhurt** **dangerous**.

Ex. 4 Complete sentences with the correct word. Three words are extra

flood fire avalanche snowfall typhoon earthquake eruption thunderstorm

- 1 The quickly burnt the empty building to the ground.
- 2 Residents with homes underwater said they had never seen a(n) like it.
- 3 Strong winds and pouring rain damaged buildings in last night's .
- 4 Several skiers were trapped under snow yesterday after a sudden .
- 5 The had buried the man under rubble, but we rescued him.
- 6 The ash from the volcanic could be seen from miles away.

Ex. 5 Fill in with the words below. Three words are extra.

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Hey Luis,

Did you read about that gas explosion in the 1) news? Well, it was near my house! I actually felt the ground 2) when it happened. Several buildings fell down and 3) found many people who were 4) under the rubble. There was a small fire, but it didn't 5) and the fire service soon had it under 6) . Despite the bad 7) , we managed to get everyone out 8) .

Some were 9) , but they're all 10) in hospital now. What's really scary, though, is that there were no 11) signs before the explosion. Right now, I feel relieved that I wasn't hurt, and I'm proud that I stayed 12) so that I could help others.

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