

READING

- 1** Look at the photos. What do you think happened? Choose words from the box. Then read the article and check your answers.
- 2** Read the article again. Are the sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

a fire rain a storm an earthquake*

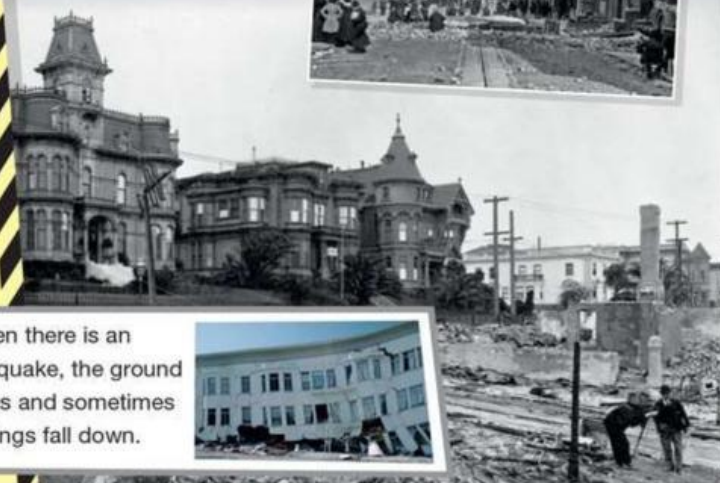
- 1 The San Francisco fire happened in winter. _____
- 2 When the earthquake happened, a lot of people were at home. _____
- 3 The earthquake wasn't big. _____
- 4 The fires burned quickly. _____
- 5 People saved many buildings in the city. _____
- 6 28,000 people died. _____
- 7 People built the city again after the fire. _____

The Great Fire of San Francisco

On 18th April 1906, there was an earthquake in the city of San Francisco. It was 5 o'clock in the morning and there weren't many people in the streets; most people were in bed. But it was a very big earthquake and people felt it in Los Angeles, more than 600 km from San Francisco. It destroyed many buildings.

But soon there was another problem. Many small fires started after the earthquake. At that time in San Francisco, the city was crowded and most old houses were made of wood. The fires moved quickly from building to building and from street to street. People didn't have water to stop the fire, and soon buildings all over the city were on fire.

The city burned for four days and it destroyed 28,000 buildings in the city. Around 250,000 people lost their homes and about 3,000 people died. After the fire, the people built a new city, with big streets and new houses.



* When there is an earthquake, the ground moves and sometimes buildings fall down.



VOCABULARY

1 Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

climbed opened painted played
published received recorded travelled

- Shakira her first album in 1990.
- Marie Curie the Nobel Prize in chemistry in 1911.
- Leonardo da Vinci the *Mona Lisa* in the 16th century.
- Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay Mount Everest on 29th May 1953.
- Laura Gallego Garcia her first book in 1999.
- Michael Palin around the world in 79 days.
- Rafael Nadal his first tennis match at Wimbledon in 2003.
- Aristide Boucicaut his first department store in Paris in 1852.

GRAMMAR

3 Complete the sentences with the verbs from the box. Use the past simple.

cook join kill phone start study
visit work

- My dad for a company in Los Angeles last year.
- I the school orchestra in March.
- My mum maths at university.
- We school on 15th September.
- They London in 2015.
- The Great Fire rats in 1666.
- We pancakes on 19th February.
- My grandmother me last night.

4 Complete the text with the verbs from the list. Use the past simple.

carry enjoy plan stay stop
text travel try

We went to Disneyland in California last year for our holidays. We (1) by plane. Disneyland is very big and when we arrived, we (2) what we wanted to see. There were lots of places to visit and, for lunch, we (3) for half an hour at a restaurant in the park and had a hamburger. At the end of the day, I was very tired. I (4) to walk to our hotel but my dad (5) me in the end! We (6) in America for two weeks and I really (7) it. I (8) lots of pictures to my friends. Now they want to go too!



PRONUNCIATION



5 Listen and write the words you hear. Circle the right -ed sound.

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