



## UNIT 4 – READING SECTION

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**12** Listen and read. TR: A26

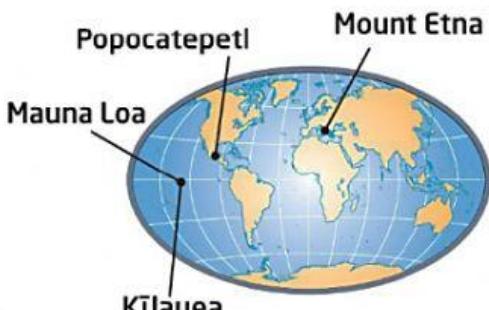
# Active Volcanoes

There are active volcanoes all over the world. Some erupt often, sending hot lava down their slopes. People live near these volcanoes. Because of the ash, the land is good for farming.

The longest erupting volcano is Mount Etna, in Sicily. It has been active for 3,500 years. Mount Etna erupts very often. It has destroyed many towns.

Five volcanoes created the island of Hawaii. Mauna Loa is the largest volcano in the world. Kīlauea is one of the most active. In fact, it almost never stops erupting. These volcanoes are also a problem for local people.

Popocatepetl is about 70 kilometers (43.5 miles) from Mexico City. An eruption in 2000 made 50,000 people leave their homes. In 2012, Popocatepetl covered cars and streets with ash. Every March, people honor the volcano, offering it food and music.



The largest known volcano is on Mars. It is about 22,000 m (13.7 mi.) tall and 700 km (435 mi.) across!

**13** Work with a partner. Read the text again. Talk about two volcanoes. Take notes.

Name of Volcano	Notes
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Mauna Ulu, Hawaii, USA