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ENG 101 - Unit 5: DESCRIBING A LANDSCAPE ESSAY WRITING

★ Read the essay and fill in the blanks with the suitable words.

- a- What is a volcano? The word comes from the name of the Roman god of fire: Vulcan. Volcanoes are openings in earth's ----- . In my essay, I will talk about the most dangerous volcano in the whole world, Mt. Vesuvius.
- b- There are many volcanoes around, especially in the Pacific Ocean, in a range called the ----- . More than one thousand volcanoes are active but not all of them are dangerous. Mt. Vesuvius in Naples, Italy is one of the most dangerous active volcanoes around the world. This active volcano has an eruption cycle every twenty years. Its biggest and most **catastrophic** ----- was in 79 AD in the city Pompeii which was ----- completely. Vesuvius has erupted many times since and is the only volcano on the European mainland to have erupted within the last hundred years.
- c- Today, it is regarded as one of the most dangerous volcanoes in the world because of the ----- of 3,000,000 people living **nearby** and its tendency toward violent and explosive eruptions,
- d- Volcanoes are important to the whole world because they can form new islands, provide ----- to earth's soil and **minerals** that help grow plants. In my opinion, volcanoes are great and fun to learn about!

★★ What do the highlighted words in the text mean? Choose the correct answer:

- A: Synonym of "Catastrophic":      disastrous                      -      peaceful  
B: Antonym of "Nearby":              close                                      -      faraway  
C: Synonym of "Minerals":              natural resource                      -      chemical

★★★ Do you agree that volcanoes are important? Is the harm caused by volcanoes more or less than the benefits? How can people limit the damage caused by volcanoes?