

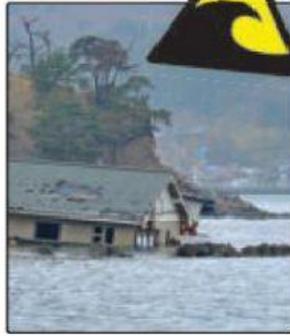


Earthquakes

Earthquakes happen when the rocks, or tectonic plates, under the surface of the earth hit each other. Earthquakes usually last for less than one minute, but they can cause a lot of damage. Buildings and houses fall, and fires sometimes start.

Tsunamis

When earthquakes happen underwater, they can cause very large waves. The waves travel towards land at about 720 km per hour and can be up to 30 m high. When they hit land, they cause floods and sometimes completely destroy seaside cities.



**Be prepared!
Don't panic!**

Earthquake

- You must move away from windows.
- You must drop to your knees and get under a desk or table.
- After the earthquake, you mustn't use the lift. Use the stairs.

Tsunami

- When you hear a warning, you must leave the area.
- You must move to high ground.
- You must stay away from areas that are near water.

3 Read again and write **T** for True or **F** for False.



1. Earthquakes usually last for more than one minute.

2. Earthquakes can sometimes cause tsunamis.

3. You mustn't stand near a window when an earthquake happens.

4. You should use the lift after an earthquake.

5. You mustn't stay near the coast when a tsunami happens.

Created by: Mr. Ayman Fouad Khalil