

Unit 9: Natural Disasters

LISTEN AND READ

Thuy is talking to her grandmother.

Thuy: Grandma, it's the weather (1) _____ (dự báo) on TV.

Grandma: Can you turn up the volume, Thuy?

Thuy: Yes, Grandma.

Weatherman: Here is tomorrow's weather forecast. Ha Noi and (2) _____ (khu vực) to the north will be sunny. Ha Noi will have temperatures between 23°C and 27°C. It will be raining along the coast of Thanh Hoa. The south-central coast can expect (3) _____ (sấm chớp).

Hue will experience temperatures between 25°C and 30°C. There will also be thunderstorms (4) _____ the central highlands.

Areas around the Cuu Long (5) _____ can expect clouds during the day. Ho Chi Minh City's temperatures will be between 27°C and 35°C.

Thuy: That's all, Grandma.

Grandma: Thank you, dear. What are you doing?

Thuy: I'm preparing (6) _____ a picnic with some old friends of mine. We haven't met (7) _____ we left school. We're going to a park (8) _____ the other side of the river.

Grandma: Don't forget to bring (8) _____ a raincoat.

Thuy: But Grandma, the forecast says it'll be sunny.

Grandma: I never trust weather forecasts.

Thuy: You don't miss a (9) _____ one on TV, do you?

Grandma: But I like watching them, dear.

Thuy: Alright Grandma, I'll bring a raincoat just (9) _____ (để phòng). I hope my friends won't laugh (10) _____ me.

READ



Earthquakes: Ninety percent of earthquakes (1) _____ (xảy ra) around the Pacific Rim, which is known (2) _____ the 'Ring of Fire'. In 1995, a huge earthquake (3) _____ the

city of Kobe in Japan. A large number of people were killed when homes, office blocks and highways (4) _____ (sụp đổ).



Tidal waves: Tidal waves are the result of an (5) _____ (đột ngột) shift in the underwater (6) _____ (sự chuyển động) of the Earth. In the 1960s, a huge tidal wave hit Anchorage, Alaska. The tidal wave traveled (7) _____ Alaska to California!

Typhoons: When a (8) _____ (bão nhiệt đới) reaches 120 kilometers per hour, it is called a (9) _____ in North and South America, a (10) _____ in Australia, and a (11) _____ in Asia. The word 'typhoon' comes from Chinese: tai means 'big' and feng means 'wind', so the word 'typhoon' means 'big wind'.



Volcanoes: We can usually predict when a volcano will (12) _____ (phun trào). Mount Pinatubo, which is a volcano in the Philippines, erupted in 1991. It was the world's largest (13) _____ eruption in more than 50 years. Hundreds of people died, but thousands were saved because scientists had (14) _____ (cảnh báo) them about the (14) _____ (sự phun trào).



Tornadoes: Tornadoes are (15) _____ (có dạng hình phễu) storms which pass overland (16) _____ a thunderstorm. They can (17) _____ (hút lên) anything that is in their path. In Italy in 1981, a tornado (18) _____ a baby, who was asleep in its baby (19) _____, into the air and put it down (20) _____ 100 meters away!