

1 Match the disasters or accidents with the headlines.

avalanche typhoon volcanic eruption shipwreck
drought famine nuclear explosion plane crash

a **Speeding wall of snow sweeps away skiers**

b **Storms and high winds leave thousands homeless.**

c Survivors recall flight of horror

d **CREW MEMBERS MISSING
AS LINER SINKS**

e **RADIOACTIVE CLOUD
THREATENS CITIES**

f **CROPS FAIL AS DRY
WEATHER CONTINUES**

g **FOOD AID URGENTLY NEEDED**

h **LAVA THREATENS
TOWN**

2 Headlines are short and introduce newspaper reports briefly in an eye-catching way. Read the sentences, underline the key words, and suggest headlines.

- 1 Four days of heavy rain caused major flooding in Rockwood. 600 people have been forced to leave their homes.
- 2 A massive earthquake has destroyed most of Bay City. Thirty-six people were killed and forty are missing as a result of the quake.
- 3 A couple were killed on Tuesday when their car was hit by a lorry. The driver of the lorry, who was drunk, was not injured.

3 Listen to the people's comments and match them with the pictures. Listen again and make comments about these pictures as if you had been involved in these events.

