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VOCABULARY

1 Complete the sentences with the pairs of words below in the correct order.

air crash / injured	drought / starvation
destroyed / earthquake	homeless / tsunami
disruption / flooding	hurricane / storm

- 0 Around 100,000 people were made *homeless* when a massive *tsunami* hit the coastline.
- 1 Heavy rain has caused _____ in several parts of the South West, with deep water causing major _____ to the road networks.
- 2 Ten people have been _____ in a(n) _____ at the Soldotna airport in Alaska. The air taxi crashed as it was taking off.
- 3 The rainy season put an end to the _____ is Somalia which threatened to cause widespread _____.
- 4 Thousands of buildings were _____ in the Gansu province of China when a(n) _____ reached a magnitude of 5.9.
- 5 Many homes were left without power after last night's _____. _____ force winds of more than 80km an hour were recorded.

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2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 0 The woman phoned police *claiming* (claim) her car had been stolen.
- 1 The valuable violin had gone _____ (miss) three years earlier.
- 2 _____ (admit) to the crime meant that the criminals were given a shorter prison sentence.
- 3 A man walked into an antiques shop _____ (hold) the missing painting to sell it.
- 4 They came up with the idea of _____ (suffer) from amnesia.
- 5 The thieves went into _____ (hide) for five years.

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3 Match the verbs below with their definitions.

be blown away be cut off be swept away
send down send up turn out

- 0 to send something to a higher place
send up
- 1 to be discovered to be a certain way by the end of a story

- 2 to be destroyed or pulled by strong winds

- 3 to send something to a lower place

- 4 to be destroyed or pulled by the force of water

- 5 to be prevented from communicating with people outside a place

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Vocabulary total 15

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences with the past simple or past continuous form and *when* or *while*.

- 0 The flood water entered my house *while* I *was watching* (watch) TV.
- 1 The wildfire _____ (sweep) across the hillside _____ the fire crews were evacuating the local people.
- 2 _____ the tsunami _____ (approach) the coast, the government started evacuating the locals.
- 3 The researchers _____ (work) at the foot of the volcano _____ it exploded.
- 4 _____ the train derailed off the tracks, the emergency services _____ (try) to look for survivors.
- 5 Emma was taking her dog for a walk _____ she _____ (see) a lightning bolt hit a building.

2 Complete the sentences with the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs below.

appear drive go off revise run shake

At 8.30am, an earthquake happened off the coast of the city of Sendai, Japan. When the earthquake happened, ...

0 the buildings *shook*.

1 my friend Hiroto _____ in between a doorway to protect himself.

2 Mr and Mrs Yamamoto _____ to the supermarket.

3 a large crack _____ in the road.

4 my sister Mio _____ on her computer.

5 car and house alarms _____ in the streets.

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3 Complete the sentences with *would* or *used to* and the verbs in brackets. Use *would* if possible and *used to* if not.

0 *Would* you *wear* (*wear*) a uniform to school?

1 I _____ (*not read*) a lot but now I love books.

2 I _____ (*be*) sick very often when I was a kid.

3 My friends and I _____ (*bring*) a packed lunch with us to school.

4 I _____ (*love*) walking to school every morning as a kid.

5 How _____ you _____ (*travel*) to school in the mornings?

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4 Write sentences using the past perfect.

0 I / see / just / the weather report about the storm.

I had just seen the weather report about the storm.

1 I / experience / never / an earthquake / before.

2 Jessica / phone / just / the police / when / the emergency services / arrived.

3 They / live / in that accommodation / since / the tsunami.

4 Jamie / eat / already / before / he / left / the house.

5 Zoe / receive / never / an award / before.

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5 Write what had happened before each situation.

0 Amelia crossed the finish line exhausted but in first place. just / run / marathon
Amelia had just run a marathon.

1 A cloud of dust and ash filled the air in the town. volcano / erupt

2 The journalist was on the scene standing beside some collapsed buildings. interview / survivors

3 The trees in the forest were burnt. wildfires / sweep / through the forest

4 The museum guard was astonished when he saw the priceless painting was missing. someone / stole

5 Aaron was evacuated to safety by rescue workers. torrential rain / cause flooding / house

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6 Complete the sentences with the past simple or perfect.

0 They were injured. The plane crashed into the hill. They *were injured* after the plane *had crashed* into hill.

1 A snake escaped from a pet store. The shop assistant left the cage open.

A snake _____ from a pet store because the shop assistant _____ the cage open.

2 The boat sank off of the coast of Scotland. The boat hit some rocks.

The boat _____ off of the coast of Scotland after it _____ some rocks.

3 The miners were rescued. The miners spent twenty-five days trapped underground.

The miners _____ after they _____ twenty-five days trapped underground.

4 They arrived at the airport. They realized the airport cancelled all the flights.

They _____ just _____ at the airport when they _____ the airport had cancelled all the flights.

5 He didn't leave the storm shelter. He was there after the storm hit.

He _____ the storm shelter since the storm _____.

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Grammar total

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Mega Earthquake and Tsunami

by Gillian Frost (weather correspondent)

At 14.46pm on the 11th March 2011, Japan experienced a powerful earthquake. It reached a magnitude of 9.0 and even though it lasted 6 minutes, it left parts of the country completely destroyed.

The earthquake struck close to the north coast, about 250 miles from Tokyo. It triggered a super tsunami which swept inland near the city of Sendai. Waves reached heights of up to 405 metres and travelled 6 miles inland. The Japanese National Police Agency reported that 15,883 people were killed and another 6,145 were injured during the disaster. Around 129,225 buildings were destroyed.

Jeremy Michael, an English teacher working in Japan at the time, described the whole event. 'It was like a horrific dream,' he recalls. He was teaching a class of primary school children when the earthquake hit. He said it had felt like it was never going to end. Crouching under their desks while it was happening, when they finally went outside they were met with more danger. Children were panicked and many were crying. Tsunami alarm bells were also ringing, he remembers, warning the town to evacuate immediately to higher ground.

Within 10 minutes, they had all managed to reach the safety of a train station high up on a hill. He recalls looking back and seeing the wave approaching rapidly. Water had already flooded the school. The tsunami waves had destroyed most of the town and everyone was made homeless. Jeremy and his class waited for an hour on the hill until the water returned back to normal levels. It was snowing and the temperatures were freezing.

In Utatsu alone, where Jeremy was living, only 9,000 survivors from 18,000 residents had been confirmed. Millions of people suffered across Japan. It was the single worst natural disaster they had ever experienced.

1 Read the article and match the words below with their definitions. Circle the words in the text.

crouching recall horrific inland flood triggered

0 something that is the cause of a particular development, especially a bad one

triggered

1 in a direction towards the middle of a country, away from the coast

2 extremely bad and shocking

3 bending down with your knees under you close to the ground

4 remember certain information

5 worried that something bad has happened

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2 Read the article again and match the information with the numbers.

0 number of people who survived F

A 6

1 height of the tsunami waves _

B 9.0

2 number of inhabitants in Utatsu _

C 18,000

3 minutes the earthquake lasted _

D 6,145

4 magnitude of the earthquake _

E 405

5 number of people who were injured _

F 9,000

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3 Read the article again and decide if the sentences are true or false. Correct the false sentences.

0 Jeremy was teaching children in a classroom when he felt the earthquake.

True

1 The emergency services warned people to evacuate to safety.

2 Jeremy and his class escaped to safety by train.

3 Tsunami waves covered the whole town.

4 People rescued their belongings from their homes.

5 Jeremy and the children waited in the freezing cold for the water levels to reduce.

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Reading total

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