

Read the article below and complete the following table with no more than three words and/or a number from the text for each answer.

### 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami

It was one of the deadliest natural disasters to ever strike the world. In December 2004, the day after Christmas, a giant tsunami hit the coast of Thailand, Sri Lanka, Indonesia and India. It started at 7.59 a.m. with a magnitude of 9.1 on the Richter scale an earthquake ripped through under the Indian Ocean, causing a gigantic column of water toward shores.

The closest city to the earthquake epicentre was Banda Aceh, on the northern tip of Sumatra, Indonesia. The first waves arrived in no less than 20 minutes. People were tossed around like helpless sticks and houses swallowed by the massive waves. No one and nothing was spared. The 100 feet roiling mountain of water slammed Banda Aceh and killed about 100,000 men, women and children.

Then an hour and half later, travelling at 500mph, the waves hit Thailand on the coastal provinces of Phang Nga and Phuket, killing almost 5,400 people. The city of Chennai, India was next. An hour later, the waves crashed into the city. The death toll was more than 10,000 people. Sri Lanka also saw massive destructions whereby 30,000 lives were swept away by the killer waves and hundreds and thousands more were left homeless. This natural disaster will be remembered as one of the worst human tragedies in history.

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| <b>Number of countries hit by the tsunami:</b><br>1. _____  | <b>The ocean affected by the earthquake:</b><br>2. _____              |
| <b>The magnitude of the earthquake:</b><br>3. _____         | <b>State the date when the tsunami struck:</b><br>4. _____            |
| <b>The epicentre of the earthquake:</b><br>5. _____         | <b>The height of the waves that slammed Sumatera:</b><br>6. _____     |
| <b>A city in India affected by the tsunami:</b><br>7. _____ | <b>Number of Thailand's provinces hit by the tsunami:</b><br>8. _____ |

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