

Read the text, complete the gaps and match the names of natural disasters and their description.

Mother nature can be a bit ..... at times. When she is angry she can use her amazing powers to create ..... and ..... on our little planet. These days there seem to be more and more ..... of natural disasters happening around the world.

Let's take a look at the names of the natural disasters that we can see on.

1. ....

The plates of earth move and the ..... makes magma push up inside of the mountain. Hot red ..... flows from its top. Lava is a type of ..... rock that when it cools it turns back into rock.

2. .... is the large ..... of snow down the side of a mountain. They ..... when the snow becomes too ..... and as it .....down it mixes with air and water to cause a powerful and dangerous .....

3. ....

It is casually known as a ..... It is a very large column of wind that ..... around very quickly. They occur in most places around the world, but most common ones are in America. The power of them can cause the winds to ..... houses and ..... up and ..... heavy items.

4. ....

It occurs when there has been no rain in a place for a long time. The land becomes too ..... and **it's** .....to grow any plants or vegetables on the land. It may ..... **in** a .....; this is when there is not enough food to feed the people and they start to ..... (die from not eating).

5. ....

It occurs when the plates of the Earth start moving and shaking. It can ..... from the very big (which can ..... cities) to the very small (which you might not even .....). The size of earthquakes is measured on the **Richter** .....

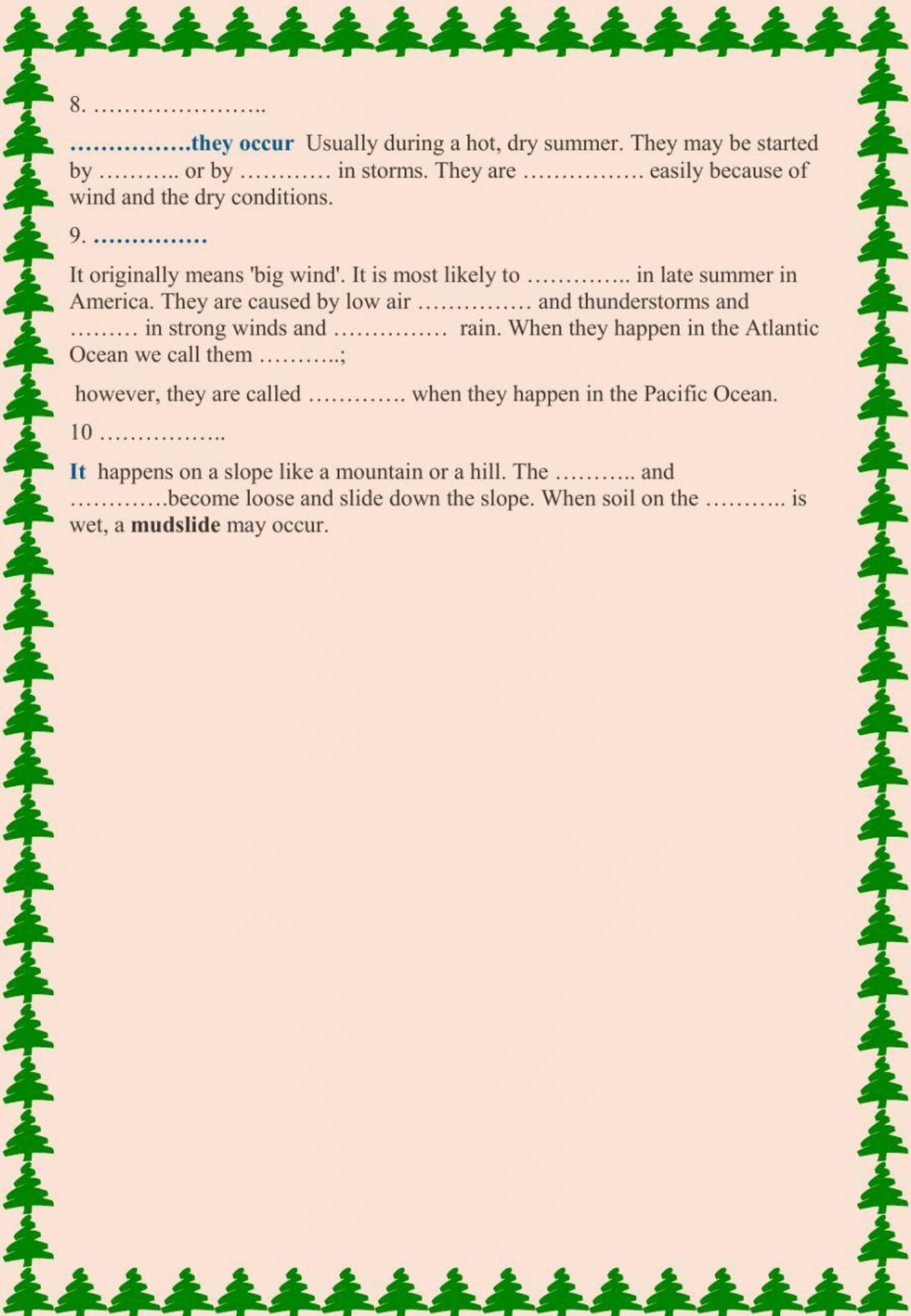
6. ....

It occurs when ..... comes down from the sky and hits the ground. Its strike can typically be 30,000 °C and travel at 60,000 miles ..... second. .... is the loud sound that we hear soon after a flash of lightning.

7. ....

It occurs when a large .....of water covers the land. Too much ..... usually causes them. They also happen when the water ..... in a river becomes too high. As sea levels continue to ....., the risk of it increases.





8. ....

.....**they occur** Usually during a hot, dry summer. They may be started by ..... or by ..... in storms. They are ..... easily because of wind and the dry conditions.

9. ....

It originally means 'big wind'. It is most likely to ..... in late summer in America. They are caused by low air ..... and thunderstorms and ..... in strong winds and ..... rain. When they happen in the Atlantic Ocean we call them .....

however, they are called ..... when they happen in the Pacific Ocean.

10 .....

**It** happens on a slope like a mountain or a hill. The ..... and .....become loose and slide down the slope. When soil on the ..... is wet, a **mudslide** may occur.