NAMES: _____ GRADE: _____

# Natural disasters


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**1) Match the pictures with 7 of the words below.**

_avalanche / drought / earthquake / famine / flood / forest fir e / hurricane / landslide / tornado / tsunami / volcanic eruption / disease

**2) Which of the natural disasters involve:**

1. very hot temperatures? _____
2. rocks or earth moving? _____
3. strong winds? _____
4. water (in any form) or no water _____

**3) Decide which natural disaster (ex.1) each person below is speaking about.**

1. **Mark:** If food doesn't reach the poorest region in the south of the country, then a lot of people will die of hunger.

2. **Tom:** It hasn't rained for over five months in this part of Africa. The crops are dying in the fields.

3. **Ann:** The flames swept through the dry forest, destroying hundreds of hectares of trees.

4. **Sarah:** Heavy rains caused tones of rock and mud to slide down the mountainside, destroying a road and a railway line.

5. **Alan:** We were skiing in the Alps when the snow on the slope above us started to slide down towards us.

6. **John:** The eruption started at 2 p.m. The mountainside exploded and millions of tones of lava flowed down into the sea.

7. **Jane:** It starts with a bad headache and sickness. People usually recover if they see a doctor quickly.

**4) Match 1-7 with a-g to make sentences.**

1. The volcanic eruption has destroyed _____
2. A year without rain has caused _____
3. Doctors in the area _____
4. The United Nations is sending food aid to _____
5. The tsunami reached _____
6. Five skiers were injured in _____
7. The TV report showed the route of _____

a) the avalanche on Sunday afternoon.

b) the tornado: it struck the city and then moved east.

c) the forest and all the homes in the area around the mountain.

d) say that thousands of people are now ill with the disease.

e) the coast and destroyed thousands of homes.

f) the victims of the famine.

g) a serious drought in Western Australia.

**5) Match the headlines (1-5) with the natural disasters in the box.**

earthquake / drought / avalanche / famine / volcanic eruption / flood

No rain for a long time in Symbati 1

30 seconds of a terrible shake 2

Entire village under water 3

Cieva Vieja is going to awake after 200 years 4

Lots of snow coming down Weisshorn 5

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