

The Earthquake

Chapter 3: Silvia's Story

Number the events.

- The lights went out.
- The wall collapsed.
- There was a loud noise.
- The Oasis turned into rubble.
- There was a crack on the wall.
- The ground shook.
- The roof came down.
- Silvia thought the noise and shaking came from a passing plane.
- The wall opened.
- People screamed.

Fill in the blanks.

Silvia thought of her _____. She tried to get out. She took off her _____ to climb over a broken wall. No cars stopped to help her so she decided _____. There was _____ all across the road. It wasn't dark now because there were _____. Her mother was _____ in bed and she was alone. Silvia worried but then tried to think positively. When she finally got to the centre of the town, she looked round the _____. Some buildings stood, but others were _____. The _____ of the Plaza fell, and Silvia thought of _____. She hoped he was all right. The building _____ the Delgados' home was a ruin. Silvia's neighbours were _____ the rubble trying to rescue their families and friends. The Delgados' building had a big _____ in the front wall and some _____ windows, but it looked safe. Silvia went in and ran up the stairs to her flat. The front door was _____. She called her mother and went to her bedroom, but there was _____. in her bed.

