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It's An Earthquake!



In the Natural History Museum* in London there is a special "Earthquake" Room". In this room there are videos of earthquakes around the world. There is also a special "Earthquake Machine**". When you stand in it, you feel like you are in a real earthquake. It's not dangerous, but it's scary!

Ann and Ben are at the Natural History Museum.

Ann: Ooh ... look at that room over there. It looks like* a supermarket. Let's go in.

Ben: Wait! This sign says "Earthquake Machine". What do you think it is?

Guide: It shows you what a real earthquake is like. Do you want to go in?

Ben: OK. Let's go, Ann. ... Hey! What's happening?

Ann: The floor is moving! It's an earthquake! HELP!

Ben: Look at the boxes on the shelves. They're falling off!

Ann: And the supermarket carts* are all moving, too. Help! I'm falling!

Ben: Don't worry. It's stopping now.

Ann: Wow, that was scary! Let's get out of here before it starts again.

Ben: Where can we go now? What can we look at next?

Ann: I know. Let's go look at some nice, safe dinosaurs ...

*Natural History Museum / מוזיאון להיסטוריה של הטבע / متحف التاريخ الطبيعي

**earthquake / هزات أرضية / زلزال

**machine / ماكينة / ماكينة

**looks like / يبدو مثل / ترآة

*supermarket carts / عربات السوبرماركت / عربات سوبر ماركت

Did You Understand?

A. Number the sentences in the order that they happened.

- a. The floor begins to move.
- b. The children go into the Natural History Museum.
- c. The children go to look at dinosaurs.
- d. They go into the Earthquake Machine.
- e. The floor stops moving.
- f. The boxes fall off the shelves.

B. Answer the questions.

1. What museum do Ann and Ben visit?

2. What can you see in the Earthquake Room?

3. What can you feel in the Earthquake Room?

4. What does the Earthquake Machine look like?

5. What makes the Earthquake Machine scary? Write TWO things.

6. a. Who didn't enjoy the Earthquake Machine?

 b. How do you know?

7. Would you like to go into the Earthquake Machine? Explain your answer.

Vocabulary

A. Write T (true) or F (false).

- 1. Some snakes are **dangerous**.
- 2. Superman is a **real** person.
- 3. You can see interesting things in a **museum**.
- 4. Swimming with sharks is **safe**.

B. Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

show scary around the world falls off get out

1. Can you me your new jeans?
2. Let's of the car and go for a walk.
3. I don't like to watch movies.
4. Omer wants to go and see different countries.
5. Sam wants to be a clown. He puts a ball on his head, but it

Something Extra

Write as many words as you can from the letters in the word below.

EARTHQUAKE