4C Listening

Eyewitness FULLNAME:_____

I can identify the context of a dialogue or monologue.

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1 Match the words below with definitions 1–10.

avalanche drought earthquake epidemic famine flood forest fire mudslide tsunami volcanic eruption

1 A(n) _____ is when the ground shakes and buildings collapse.
2 A(n) _____ is when hot rocks, fire and steam suddenly come out of the ground.
3 A(n) _____ is when water covers the ground in places which are usually dry.
4 A(n) _____ is when snow and ice fall quickly down a mountain.
5 A(n) _____ is a long period of time without enough food in a region.
6 A(n) _____ is a very large and long wave following an earthquake under the ocean.
7 A(n) _____ is when there is no rain for a long time.
8 A(n) _____ is a fire that spreads quickly through a large area of trees.
9 A(n) _____ is when a serious disease spreads to lots of people.
10 A(n) _____ is when a large quantity of wet earth suddenly falls down the side of a hill.

2 Label photos A and B with the natural disaster words from exercise 1.



A _____



B _____

Listening Strategy

It is important to be able to identify the context of the listening, i.e. who is speaking, where and when they are speaking, and what the situation is. This is not always obvious, so listen carefully for clues to help you.

3 1.15 Read the Listening Strategy. Then listen to two dialogues and answer the questions. Write the clues which gave you the answers.

Dialogue 1

1 Where are they? _____
Clues: _____
2 What natural disaster caused the damage? _____
Clues: _____

Dialogue 2

3 What kind of natural disaster are they discussing?
_____
Clues: _____
4 What time of day is it? _____
Clues: _____

4 1.16 Listen to four extracts. Match each extract with a natural disaster from exercise 1.

1 Natural disaster: _____
2 Natural disaster: _____
3 Natural disaster: _____
4 Natural disaster: _____

5 1.16 Listen again and choose the correct answers.

1 The dialogue takes place
a in a shopping centre.
b in the street.
c In a supermarket.
2 The disaster happened while the speaker
a was on holiday in Japan.
b was in a business meeting.
c was in a Japanese lesson.
3 The speaker first went to Africa
a about three years ago.
b about two years ago.
c before university.
4 The man who is giving information about Mount Bagana is
a a guest at the hotel.
b an employee at a tourist information office.
c an employee of the hotel.

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