

## 7.3. Power of Nature - Connecting Words

**When: Khi,** When my mom calls, I will tell her about my new job.

**As soon as: Ngay khi,** As soon as the shaking starts, get down on your hands and knees

**While: Trong khi (2 hành động cùng xảy ra 1 lúc),**

While it's raining so hard, you should stay inside

**Until: cho tới khi,** Stay inside *until* the shaking stops

**Before and After to talk about sequences of the event (Before: trước khi, After: Sau khi)**

Make sure you do all the homework *before* going to school

After the earthquake happens, there is usually a lot of damage

### 1. What should you do in case of a lightning storm?

Choose the correct words

- a If you can, move indoors **before / until** the storm starts.
- b Stay away from windows **after / while** the winds are very strong.
- c Unplug your laptop **as soon as / after** the storm starts.
- d Don't use a landline **until / while** the lightning stops.
- e You can go outside again **before / after** the storm has finished.

### Practice

- 2 Read about Anisa's experience of a small earthquake. Choose the correct connecting word to complete her story. You will need to use some of the words more than once.

Get it right!



Remember to use the correct preposition.

Last month I had a bicycle accident, so my bike was broken **until after** that.

until    after    before    as soon as    while

There are always signs <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ an earthquake happens; for example, there are power cuts and many animals behave strangely. We knew there was a problem <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the room started shaking. We knew it could be serious, so we hid under a table and stayed there <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the shaking stopped. We were so frightened. We held onto the table legs <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ things fell off the shelves and crashed to the floor. We knew an earthquake was happening. We waited, terrified, <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the room stopped moving. It stopped <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a few minutes, but it seemed a lot longer!

<sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the shaking stopped, my brother wanted to get up and go outside. But we knew that we should wait a bit <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ we moved anywhere. When we were sure that everything was OK, we went outside to see what had happened.

3 What should you do during an earthquake? Complete the instructions.

- a Make sure you know what to do, **before** the earthquake starts.
- b Crawl under a table **as soon as** \_\_\_\_\_
- c Stay inside while \_\_\_\_\_
- d Don't move until \_\_\_\_\_
- e Stay away from damaged areas **after** \_\_\_\_\_

### Challenge



- 4 Choose an example of extreme weather or a natural danger.  
Answer the questions in your own notebook, using the connecting words.
- a What can you do to prepare **before** it happens?
  - b What should you do **while** it is happening?
  - c What should you do **after** it happens?

**Lightning storm**

**Fire**

**Landslide**

**Tsunami**

**Flood**

**Earthquake**