NATURAL DISASTERS VOCABULARY

NAME: _____

1) FIND 7 NATURAL DISASTERS IN THE WORDSEARCH: (⇧ ⇩ ⇦ ⇨).

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2) CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION:

1. … are strong and dangerous winds that move in a circle. You can find them in the USA but never in Antarctica!
   a. Tornados b. Tsunamis c. Hailstorms
2. In 1666, the Great … of London destroyed many buildings and houses. It started in a bakery, at night, and a lot of people escaped from the flames on their boats.
   a. Fire b. Earthquake c. Flood
3. In 1906, there was a(n) … in San Francisco. The ground moved for more than ten seconds.
   a. tsunami b. hurricane c. earthquake
4. Mount Vesuvius erupted in 79 AD. This … was catastrophic.
   a. volcanic eruption b. tornado c. hailstorm
5. There was a … in New Orleans in 2006. The strong winds coming from the sea destroyed the city and there were terrible floods.
   a. tornado b. hurricane c. fire

3) LISTEN AND PUT IN ORDER FROM 1 TO 10:

DROUGHT	
EARTHQUAKE	
FIRE	
FLOODS	
HAILSTORM	
HURRICANE	
LANDSLIDE	
TORNADO	
TSUNAMI	
VOLCANIC ERUPTION	

4) USE SOME OF THE WORDS BELOW FOR EACH DEFINITION:

earthquake • fire • flood • hurricane • tornado • tsunami • volcanic eruption • hailstorm

1. _____: a lot of water covering an area
2. _____: very strong winds usually coming from the sea
3. _____: a storm in which ice stones fall
4. _____: strong wind that goes quickly round in a circle
5. _____: flames and heat from something that is burning out of control
6. _____: very big wave or waves that an earthquake can cause

5) COMPLETE USING SOME OF THE WORDS BELOW:

earthquake • fire • floods • hailstorm • hurricane • tornado • tsunami • volcanic eruption

1. People are talking about the great _____ in south California. Jane McKlusky explained to the press. 'I was in the kitchen and the floor moved! I was scared.'
2. Experts are worried about the _____ in Japan. The enormous waves arrived at the capital city and destroyed everything! The people are now in churches and schools and the government are giving them food and water.
3. A report is coming from the National Weather Centre about the _____ which is now crossing Florida. It is very windy and rainy there at the moment and the people are installing plywood shutters in their homes.
4. In Mexico, the rain continues. There are _____ all over the country and many people are sleeping in shelters. Unfortunately, the water level is rising.
5. A new report from the National Weather Centre informs us that a _____ is now affecting the centre of Madrid. The ice stones are really big and are causing chaos!
6. The _____ in the forest in Greece is destroying most of the trees and killing wildlife there. Apparently, it started with a cigarette! The emergency services are working in the area.