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# Natural Disasters

Multiple Choice

Choose the correct answer.

Which of the following is a common consequence of an earthquake?

- A. Flooding
- B. Tsunamis
- C. Landslides
- D. Droughts

What is the primary cause of a volcanic eruption?

- A. Air pressure changes
- B. Movement of tectonic plates
- C. High winds
- D. Flooding

Which natural disaster is measured by the Saffir-Simpson scale?

- A. Tornado
- B. Hurricane
- C. Earthquake
- D. Wildfire

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## Matching Words and Definitions

A sudden burst of lava from a volcano.



A series of huge waves caused by underwater seismic activity.



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A large amount of earth and rock moving down a slope..



## Fill in the Blanks

- The \_\_\_\_\_ struck the coast, causing widespread damage to coastal cities.
- After the heavy rains, the river overflowed, leading to a massive \_\_\_\_\_.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ destroyed thousands of acres of forest and homes in the region.

1. Tsunami
2. Flood
3. Wildfire

# NATURAL DISASTERS

Dragging and  
Dropping

- Earthquake
- Hurricaner
- Tornado
- Land
- Water
- Air

## Reading Comprehension

**Read the following short paragraph and answer the questions.**

### Paragraph:

Natural disasters, whether they be earthquakes, floods, or hurricanes, have significant impacts on both human populations and the environment. Earthquakes can destroy buildings, disrupt transportation, and cause fatalities.

1. What are some of the effects of earthquakes mentioned in the paragraph?
2. According to the paragraph, what long-term effect do natural disasters have?