

1 Fill in the correct word.

- lightning • floods • hurricanes • tornado • avalanche • earthquake • heatwaves
- thunderstorms • fires • drought • eruptions • tsunami

- 1 A(n) tore through Florida yesterday destroying home and ripping up trees.
- 2 A(n) is the same as a tidal wave.
- 3 A large can run down a mountain for many miles and destroy everything in its path.
- 4 More than 70 people were killed in the yesterday after a dam burst.
- 5 Over 200 people have been killed by volcanic on this island.
- 6 You often see strike before you hear the clap of thunder.

- 7 A(n) measuring 8.9 on the Richter Scale struck Japan on 11th March, 2011.
- 8 A(n) is a long period when there is very little or no rain.
- 9 Katrina is estimated to be one of the worst ever in the world; a category 5.
- 10 Forest have a tremendous impact on a country's ecosystem.
- 11 Many children get scared during because of how noisy they can be.
- 12 never happen in polar regions due to cold surface temperatures.

2 Replace the underlined words/phrases with words/phrases from the list.

- depicts • literally • devoted • ripped
- fled • flowing • given way • swiftly
- demolished • dodged • grabbed
- captured

- 1 The explosion tore through the building.
- 2 The old cinema is being knocked down to make way for a car park.
- 3 She desperately snatched his hand and managed to get out of the water.
- 4 The incident was recorded by every TV crew.
- 5 The author's latest novel portrays a gloomy America.
- 6 We must act quickly and decisively to protect our rights.
- 7 The fast moving river was difficult for the tourists to cross.
- 8 They all fell into the river after the bridge had collapsed.
- 9 He avoided a speeding car coming his way while crossing the street.
- 10 Lots of refugees ran away from their country and sought shelter elsewhere.
- 11 He was so angry that he actually grabbed him by the throat.
- 12 She has dedicated herself to children's charity work.

3 Fill in: damaged, crashing, howled, blown, pouring, freeze, clear up, drizzling, ripped.

- 1 The umbrella was away by the wind.
- 2 It may tonight so bring these flowerpots inside.
- 3 It has been with rain all week now.
- 4 Many houses were during the storm.
- 5 I'm sick of this weather; I hope it will soon.
- 6 The rain isn't heavy – it's only
- 7 Strong winds through the trees.
- 8 The wind the sails to pieces.
- 9 We watched the huge waves against the rocks.

4 Fill in the correct word.

- snow • fog • drizzle • sleet
- temperature • showers • ice • sunshine

- 1 However light, can still be really annoying.
- 2 don't last long but they can be heavy.
- 3 It's so cold that rain may turn to on in the evening.
- 4 The thick made it difficult to see the road.
- 5 Let's go out and walk in the
- 6 Please drive carefully as there's on the road.
- 7 The mountains were covered with
- 8 Tomorrow, there will be a sudden drop in