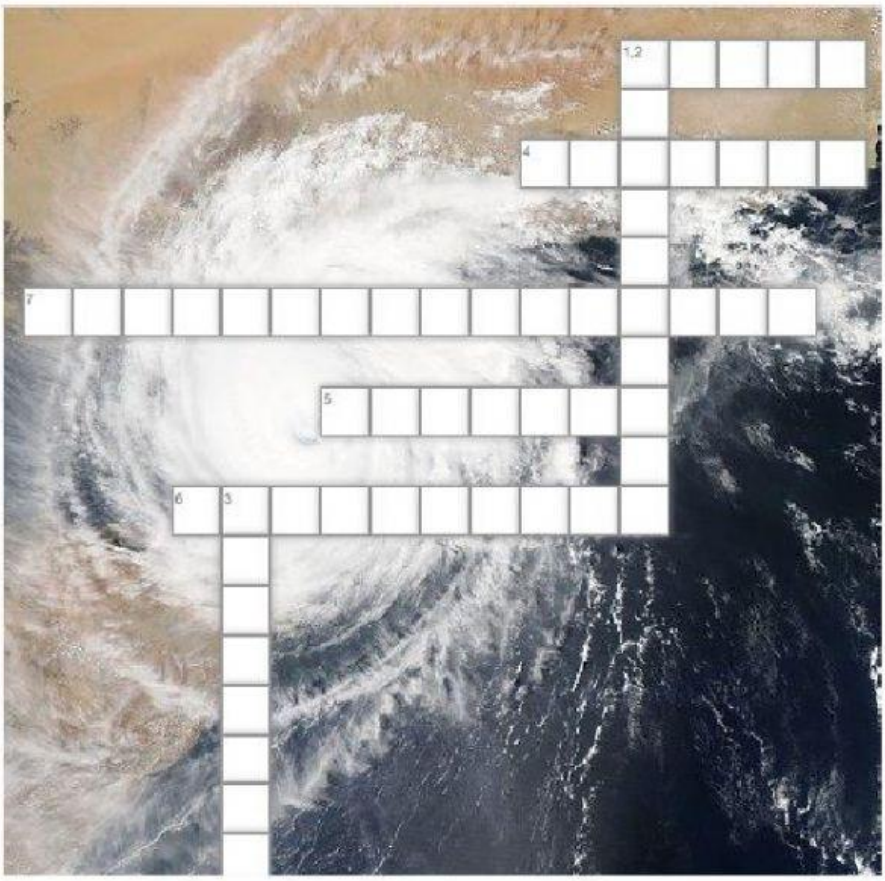

1. A big fire that can destroy many trees and houses.

_____ _____

2. When there is too much water in a river and it comes onto the streets or fields. _____

3. A very big amount of snow come down from a mountain:

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4. A very strong wind that moves in a circle. _____

5. Very large waves in the sea.

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6. When the ground suddenly shakes very strongly. _____

7. When lava and gas come out from a volcano. _____

2. Match questions 1–8 with answers A–H.

1. What was Mum making for lunch? ☐	A. Yes, she was.
2. Were they sitting at the back of the room? ☐	B. We were going out at 8 p.m.
3. What was George eating? ☐	C. She was making chicken soup.
4. Was Jill having a shower? ☐	D. Yes, I was.
5. When were you going out? ☐	E. We were playing in the park.
6. Where were you playing tennis? ☐	F. No, he wasn't.
7. Were you getting ready for bed? ☐	G. No, they weren't.
8. Was Robbie doing his homework? ☐	H. He was eating some chocolate.

3. Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

a. watching / film / I / when / heard / I / was / a / shout / a

_____

b. was / she / buying / bag / vegetables / she / when / dropped / her / some

_____

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c. the / was / Anna / dancing / when / stopped / music

_____

d. playing / the baby / with / when / started / to / she / I / was / cry

_____

e. an / were / avalanche / saw / we / skiing / when / we

_____

f. lake / fishing / they / in the / caught / fish / were / when / a / they

_____

g. fell / running / he / upstairs / when / was / he

_____

h. phone / was / watching / I / when / rang / TV / the

_____

4. Complete the sentences. Choose A or B.

a. While I ____ the road, a man ran past me.
   A. ☐ crossed
   B. ☐ was crossing

b. He was biting an apple when he ____ a tooth.
   C. ☐ cracked
   D. ☐ was cracking

c. They were driving up the hill when the car ____.
   E. ☐ stopped
   F. ☐ was stopping

d. Henry ____ his homework when the lights went out.
   G. ☐ did
   H. ☐ was doing

e. Bella and Andrew ____ at the sky when they saw a plane.
   I. ☐ were looking
   J. ☐ looked

f. Jim was riding his bike in the park when he ____ his friend Dan.
   K. ☐ was meeting
   L. ☐ met

g. Jess was preparing the vegetables when she ____ her finger.

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M. ☐ was cutting
N. ☐ cut

h. Edward ____ the ball when he hurt his arm.
O. ☐ was throwing
P. ☐ threw

5. Choose the correct words.

Clare I watched the floods in the US on TV last night.
Finn What (1) **did you see / were you seeing**?
Clare Well, the river (2) was **bursting / burst** its banks and the water flooded the streets.
Finn What (3) **did the people do / were the people doing** when the river flooded the streets?
Clare They (4) **put / were putting** sand bags outside their houses. They were trying to stop the water coming into their houses.
Finn What (5) **was happening / happened** next?
Clare The water (6) **picked up / was picking up** some cars and carried them down the street. The water (7) **damaged / was damaging** a lot of cars and buildings, but the people were safe. Some people (8) **sat / were sitting** on the roofs of their houses. They were waiting for the emergency services to rescue them.

6. Complete the sentences. Use the past continuous or past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

Tell me exactly what happened.

Well, Sam and I (1) _____ (walk) in the park with Sam's dog Muddle. Suddenly, we (2) _____ (see) our friends Jane and Pete. They (3) _____ (sit) by the pond and (4) _____ (have) a picnic. They started waving at us. Muddle (5) _____ (run) towards Jane and Pete, when a cat (6) _____ (run) in front of him. Well, naturally, Muddle started chasing the cat. The cat quickly (7) _____ (jump) over a picnic table, but when Muddle tried to jump over it too, he crashed into it. Unfortunately Pete and Jane (8) _____ (sit) at the picnic table, when Muddle (9) _____ (crash) into it! It was a disaster!

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