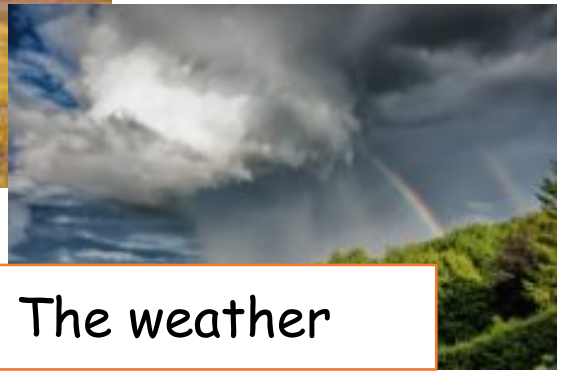
In this module we will study about …

Natural disasters

Environmental problems

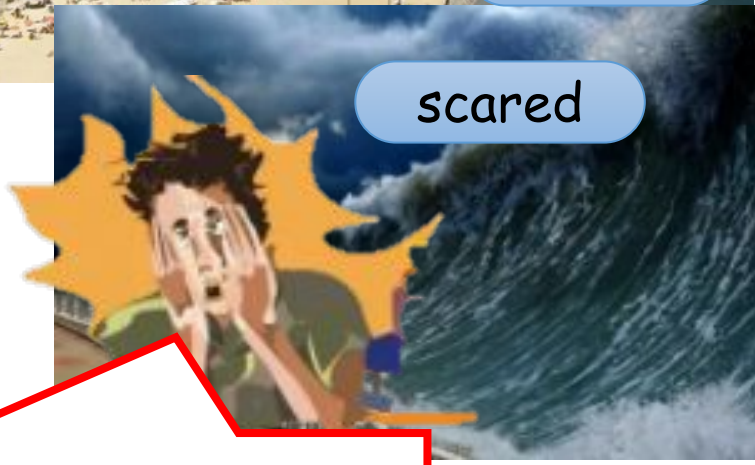
Animals



The weather

Look at the picture and listen to the sounds. Imagine the scene.

Where are you? What is happening? What are people doing? How do you feel?



I am on the beach and I see huge waves coming towards me. People are screaming and running to safety. I feel really scared.

The four extracts are from the reports of four people who experienced a tsunami. Read the first sentence from each extract.

Which person was …

a member of a rescue team? A

a journalist? D

a holidaymaker? B

a doctor? C

A. A ship carrying 350 tonnes [illegible] water, tinned fish and [illegible] supplies arrived at Nias, Indonesia today, and we have already started distributing food to the people.

B. I was lying on the beach sunbathing when I suddenly noticed huge waves..

C. At the hotel, my colleagues and I were helping injured people.

D. An earthquake that occurred at 07:59 local time under the Indian Ocean generated the biggest tsunami the world has seen in the last 40 years..

Before reading learn new words.

распределять, раздавать	ушиб, рана	вертеть, вращать
катастрофа	разрушенный	разбивать в дребезги
экстренная ситуация	искать, исследовать	запасы, продовольствие
хоронить	достигать, добираться	угрожающий, грозный
отдыхающий	случаться, происходить	страдать
трескаться	сотрясать, трясти	лечить
тонуть	этаж, ярус	оставшийся в живых
ударять	визжать, кричать	неистовый

Listen, read and check.

An earthquake that **occurred** at 07:59 local time under the Indian Ocean **generated** the biggest tsunami the world has seen in the last 40 years. The **massive** waves have killed over 10,000 people in southern Asia. Thousands have lost their homes. This must be one of the worst natural disasters in recent history.

water onto the tree. After a few hours, we were **rescued** by some local men and taken to hospital.

Answer the following questions. Which parts of the text helped you decide?

Which person or people …

achieved something unexpected?

At the hotel, my colleagues and I were helping injured people. We gave them emergency first aid before they were taken to hospital. Some of the injuries we had to treat were quite **horrific**. The streets outside were littered with fallen palm trees and huge pieces of wood and metal. [illegible] keep searching for more **survivors**. In the early hours of Thursday, we managed to find a 13-year-old girl who was still alive. She had been **buried** underneath a five-storey building for 52 hours.

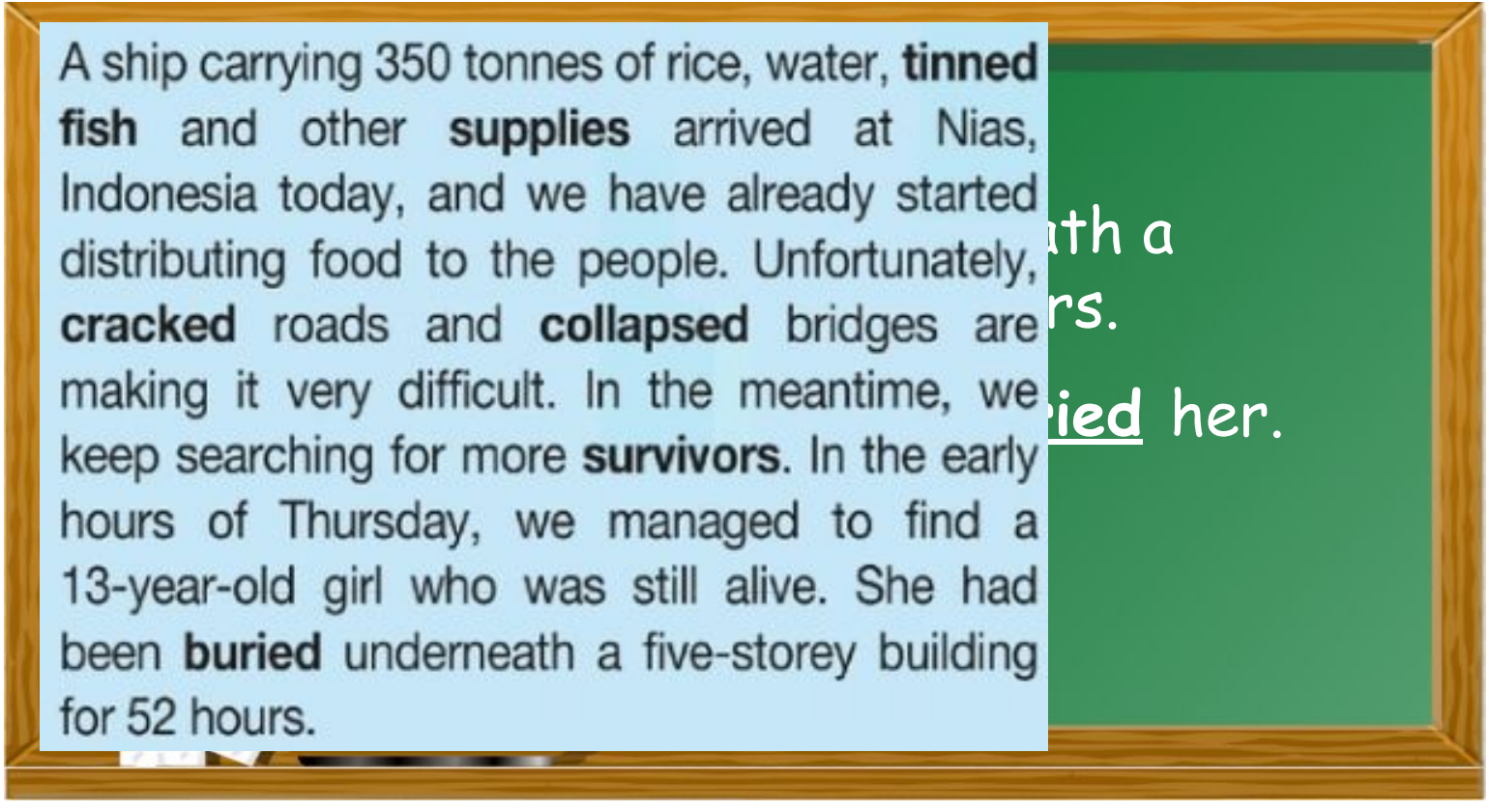
Alex

Bill

Jason

Sue

Find all passive verb forms in the text. Say the sentences in the active voice.



Jason

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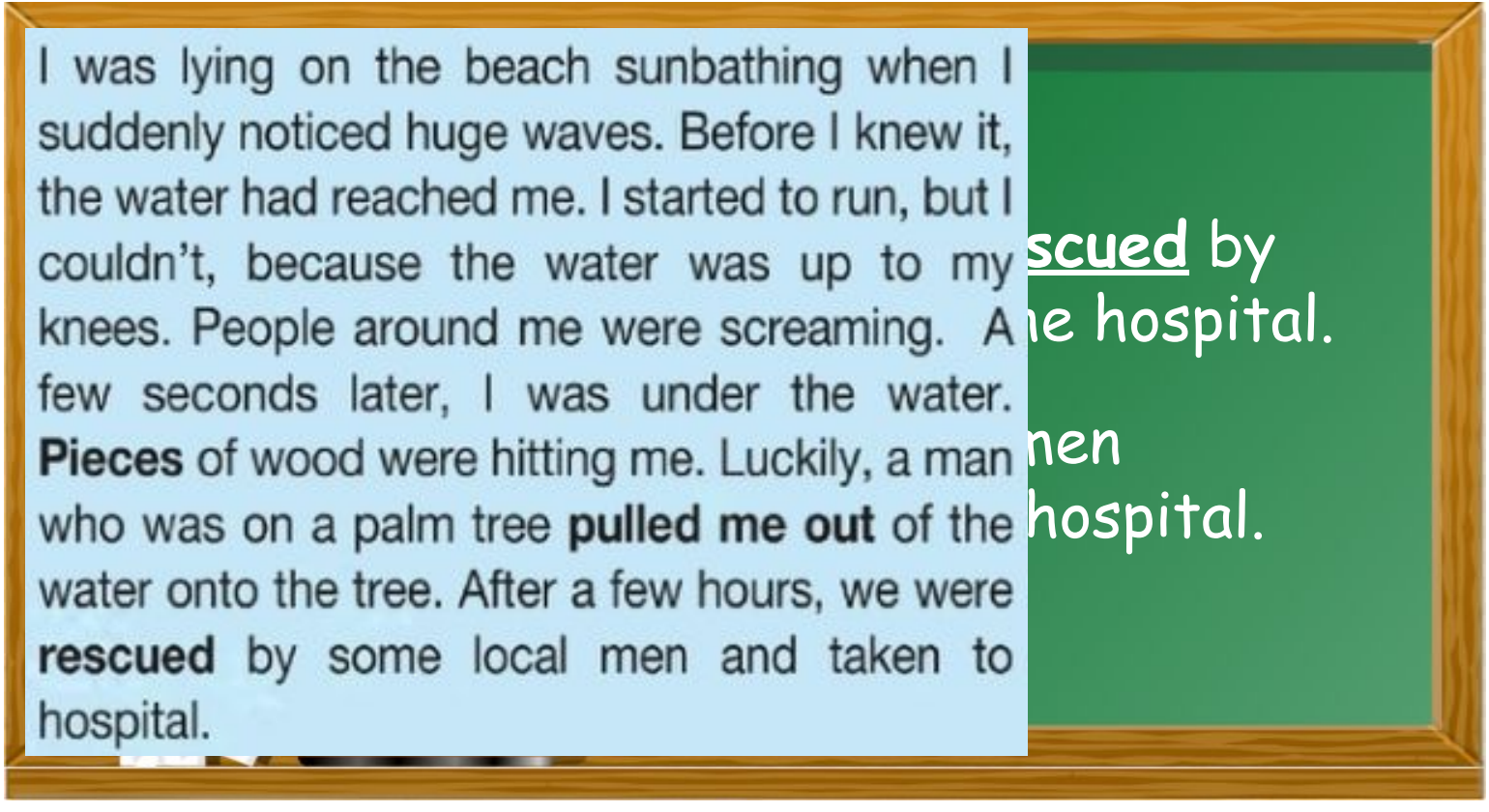

Bill

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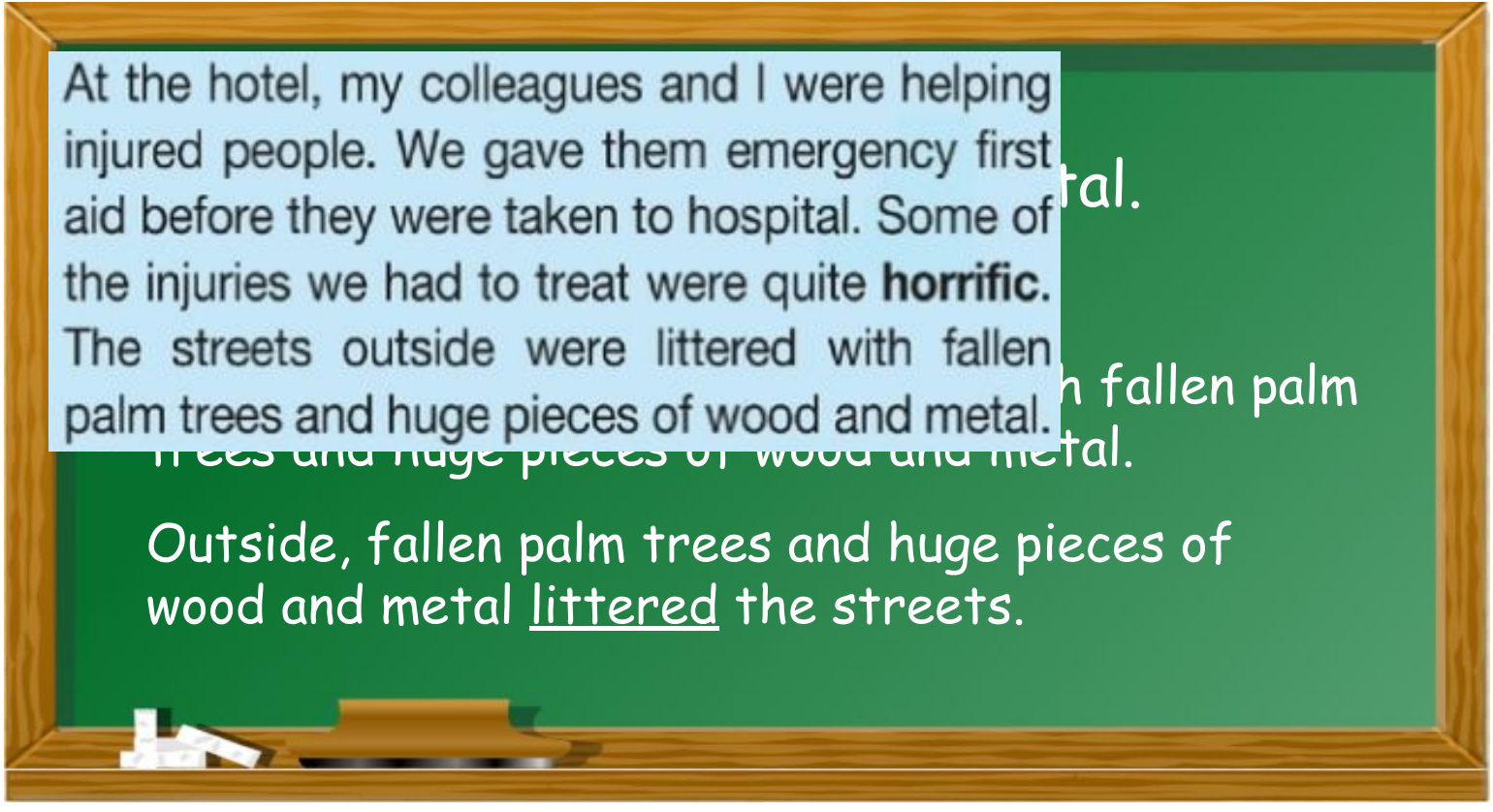

Sue

Match the words to their meanings.

survivors	pieces	supplies	cracked
buried			
horrific			
pulled me out			
generated			
we were rescued			
occurred			
tinned fish			
massive waves			
collapsed			

Very big waves

Work in groups of five. Interview the people wh

Read the dictionary entries. What are these disasters called in your language? What causes each one?

drought /draʊt/ **(n)** a period of time with no rain

засуха

flood /flʌd/ **(n)** large amount of [illegible] area which is usually dry

наводнение

tornado /tɔːˈneɪdoʊ/ **(n)** a violent wi[illegible] consists of a tall column of air spinning around very fast

торнадо

tsunami /tsʊnɑːmi/ **(n)** a huge wave which crashes onto land and is caused by an earthquake

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Read the dictionary entries. What are these disasters called in your language? What causes each one?

earthquake /ɜːrθkweɪk/ (n)

землетрясение

cyclone /saɪkloʊn/ (n) a violent trop
which the air goes round and round

циклон

avalanche /ævəlɑːntʃ/ (n) a large
falling down the side of a mountain

снежный обвал

hurricane /hʌrɪkən/ (n) an extremely vi
storm

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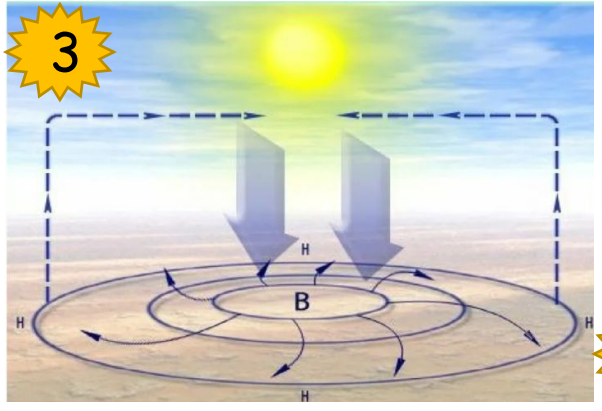
Match the words to the pictures.



cyclone

What is caused by lack or rain?

drought

What is caused low pressure areas formed over warm water?

hurricane

What is caused too much water?

flood

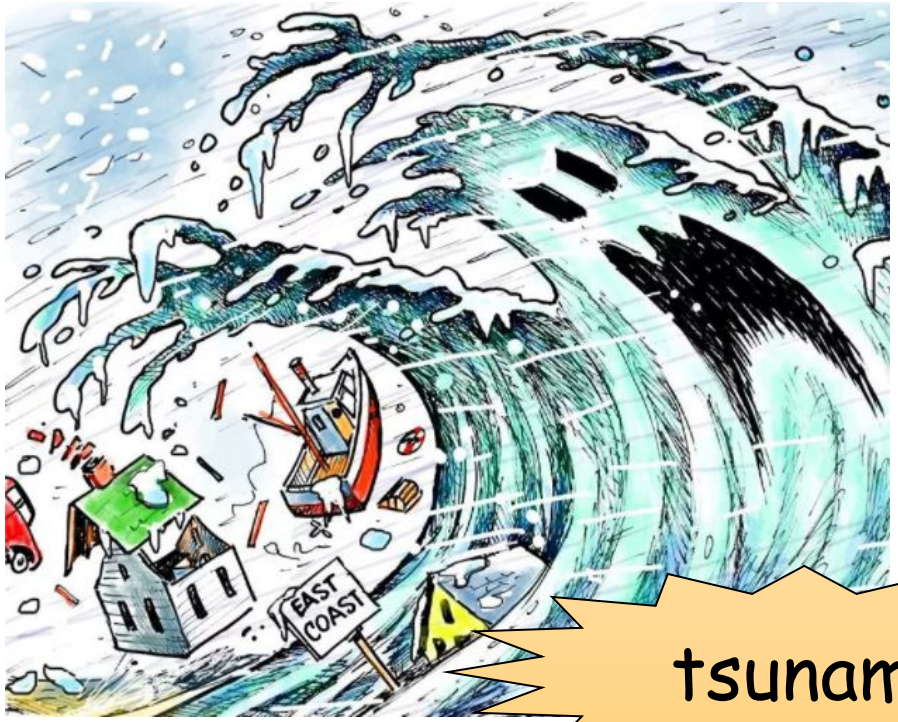
What is caused by a large amount of unstable snow on a mountain?

avalanche

What is caused by a tall column of air spinning around?

tornado

What is caused by an earthquake happening in the sea?

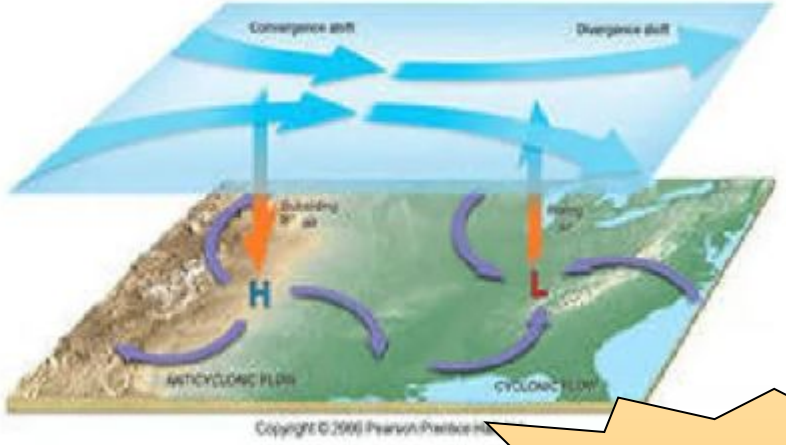


tsunami

What is caused by movement of the earth's crust?

earthquake

What is caused by air going round and round during low atmospheric pressure?



cyclone

Use the words in their correct form to complete the gaps.

fear cover leave drown bury crack collapse lose

tsunami earthquake flood

1 [illegible]

2 Hundreds of sheep ..... when the river [illegible] other animals ..... their habitats.

flood

drowned

lost

3 Many [illegible] five-storey apartment [illegible]ds. The people in the building are ..... to be dead.

earthquake

cracked

collapsed

feared

4 Seven[illegible] the road was completely [illegible]

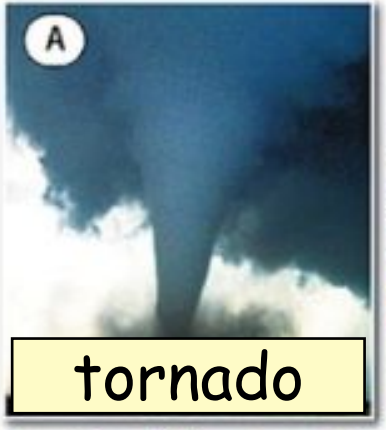
avalanche

buried

covered

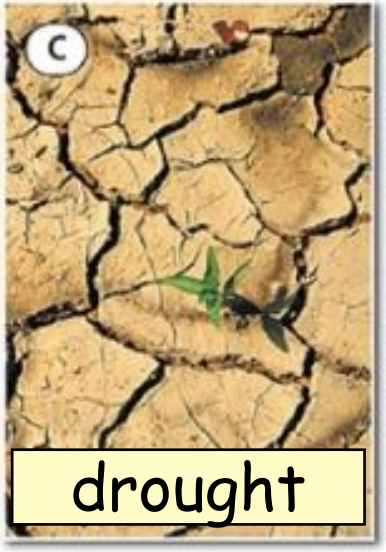
Which natural disasters is each sentence talking about?

Which disasters can you see in the pictures? Which of these disasters are common in your country?

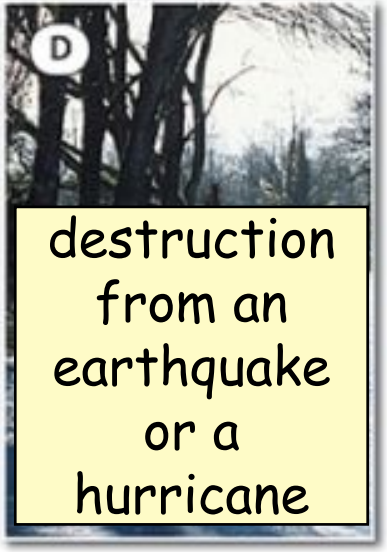


tornado

earthquake



drought



destruction from an earthquake or a hurricane

I see a tornado, a drought, a flood and destruction from an earthquake or a hurricane. Forest fires and floods are the most common natural disasters in Russia. Tornados occur quite often and cause a lot of damage in populated areas near Moscow.

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Journalist: What were you doing when the tsunami struck?
Survivor: I was lying on the beach.
Journalist: What were your first thoughts when you saw the huge wave approaching?
Survivor: At first I didn't think it was anything unusual. But then I saw it coming nearer and I started to panic.
Journalist: What did you do?
Survivor: I grabbed on to a palm tree. I had no time to go anywhere else.
Journalist: And then what happened?
Survivor: Luckily, I was swept towards a ruined building and I managed to find somewhere safe to hide until someone came to rescue me.
Journalist: Were you injured?
Survivor: Yes. I had a few broken bones, but nothing too serious. I was really lucky.

What were you doing when the tsunami struck?

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e approaching?

Alex | Bill | Jason | Sue

Answer

ENGLISH P.81✱

Put the letters in the correct order. Then match the words to the pictures.

Workbook

1 ▶ *f* rguhotd
▶ *d r o u g h t*

2 d aekuqrehat
__ earthquake _ _ _ _ _ _

3 e havacealn
__ avalanche _ _ _ _

4 c crhriuena
__ hurricane _ _ _ _ _

5 b oodfl
__ flood _ _

6 g ntisamu
__ tsunami _ _ _

7 a atdoron
__ tornado _ _ _

ENGLISH ДВИЖ

Fill in: rescue, homeless, supplies, floods, lost, drowned.

Heavy rains have hit Angola this week. The rains have caused 1) ..... floods ..... in many parts of the country. Many people have died. Thousands have 2) ..... lost ..... their houses.

These rains are the worst Angola has experienced in the last twenty years. Thousands of people have been left 3) ..... homeless ..... and many animals have 4) ..... drowned ..... . 5) ..... Rescue ..... teams have been trying to save as many people as they possibly can who still remain trapped in their homes. Many countries are now sending food, medicines and other 6) ..... supplies ..... to the area.

ENGLISH P.81*

Match the words in column A to those in column B. then use five to complete B. then use five to complete the sentences below.

A		B
1 f	injured	a roads
2 g	natural	b history
3 b	recent	c bridges
4 d	first	d aid
5 a	cracked	e waves
6 e	massive	f people
7 c	collapsed	g disasters

1 Rescue workers are able to give immediate .... **first aid** ..... treatment.

2 Over 80,000 have lost their lives from Burma's devastating cyclone, one of the worst natural disasters in .... **recent history** ..... .

3 The ..... **injured people** ..... were immediately taken to hospital.

4 The ..... **massive wave** ..... hit the surfers and pushed them onto the shore.

5 Lucy studies ..... **natural disasters** ..... such as earthquakes and tornadoes.

Underline the correct word.

1 An earthquake in the ocean can **generate/occur** a tsunami.

2 Food and clothes have been **carried/distributed** among the homeless.

3 The lifeguard managed to **reach/pull** the child out of the water.

4 The skiers were **buried/lost** under the snow.