

INTERVENTIONS & HAZARDS

TASK 1: Using the online textbook <https://www.ck12.org/user:dxrhac1vzxitzg9llnbhcnruzjay2sxmi5vcmc./book/8th-Grade-Science-for-UT-SEEd-Standards/section/5.5/> complete the reading guide.

Natural Hazards

11. A natural _____ is an event that occurs in nature that has the potential to cause harm to humans or their property.

12. Fill in the chart with types of natural hazards:

| Natural Hazards that are a result of Geology | Natural Hazards that are a result of the atmosphere |
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Predicting Natural Hazards

13. Explain how the following natural hazards are predictable:

- a. volcanic eruptions-
- b. tornadoes & hurricanes-
- c. landslides & rockfalls-

14. Some natural hazards, like _____, are nearly impossible to predict.

A Good Prediction

15. Scientists are a long way from being able to predict earthquakes. To be useful, a good prediction must be _____ and _____.

Where?

16. Where an earthquake will occur is the easiest feature to predict. Earthquakes tend to happen where they've occurred before. Scientists know that earthquakes take place at _____ boundaries or along major _____ in the interior of continents, like the Wasatch Fault.

When?

17. When an earthquake will occur is much more difficult to predict. Since _____ on a fault builds up at the same rate over time, earthquakes should occur at regular intervals. But so far scientists cannot predict when quakes will occur, even to within a few _____.

Preventing Natural Hazards from Becoming Natural Disasters

18. Explain how the following technologies can help us predict catastrophic natural disasters and mitigate their effects.

- a. Seismograph-
- b. Satellite Images-

- c. Doppler Radar-
- d. Tsunami Buoys-
- e. Avalanche Control-
- f. Building features to help withstand earthquakes-
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
 - e.

TASK 2: Go to the following website to read about the 10 deadliest natural disasters world-wide for 2017. Fill in the chart as you read. Click the NEXT arrow to get started. <https://www.usnews.com/news/best-countries/slideshows/10-of-the-deadliest-natural-disasters-of-2017>

| RANK | Location | # of Deaths | Event | Fact |
|------|----------|-------------|-------|------|
| 10 | | | | |
| 9 | | | | |
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1. What type of event seemed to cause the most deaths overall?
2. Where would you most likely be able to live to avoid natural disasters? Explain your reasoning.