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Research Project - Nature's Fury

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5. Research your chosen disaster and provide information regarding its causes and effects (I.e.: *What causes a tornado? Why do earthquakes only occur in certain areas? Etc.*).
6. Research a historical event in which your natural disaster has actually occurred and provide information regarding the event and how it unfolded. *Were there any casualties or fatalities? Was there physical damage to the area? Was this a costly event? (Hint: Use the 5 W's!)*
7. Research the steps and precautions that individuals, towns and/or governments should take in order to prevent or survive this natural disaster.
8. Complete the graphic organizers provided and use them to help you write a well-organized, four (4) paragraph paper (with a conclusion) that clearly informs your audience of your findings.
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NATURE'S FURY UNIT

LIST OF WORLD WIDE NATURAL DISASTERS

- Geological disasters
 - Avalanches
 - Mudslides
 - Earthquakes
 - Sinkholes
 - Volcanic eruptions
- Hydrological disasters
 - Floods
 - Tsunami
 - Tidal or Rogue Wave
- Meteorological disasters
 - Blizzards
 - Cyclonic storms (Hurricanes)
 - Droughts
 - Thunderstorms
 - Hailstorms
 - Dust Storms
 - Heat waves
 - Deep Freeze
 - Tornadoes
- Space Disasters
 - Impact Events (Meteors)
 - Solar flares
- Wildfires

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Directions:

Once you have selected a natural disaster that interests you, use this note-catcher to keep track of your research.

Part 1: Your natural disaster cause and effect	Your research...
1. What causes your natural disaster?	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
2. What are its effects ?	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
3. Does it occur in only certain areas ? 4. Explain why or why not?	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

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Sim Paragraph Outline Sheet

TOPIC Sentence (Claim) _____

Lead Off: _____

Follow Up: _____

Follow Up: _____

Lead-off: _____

Follow Up: _____

Follow Up: _____

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Clincher: _____

*** Did you use any pro-nouns ???**

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