

# Earthquakes Modified

## Plate Tectonics

Recall that the earth's crust is broken into large pieces called \_\_\_\_\_.

These slowly moving plates \_\_\_\_\_ each other,  
\_\_\_\_\_ each other, or \_\_\_\_\_ from each other.

This causes much \_\_\_\_\_ on the rocks.

## Plate Boundaries

The \_\_\_\_\_ is an area bordering the \_\_\_\_\_  
Ocean where many earthquakes and volcanoes occur.

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

result in movement along fault lines causing earthquakes and volcanic eruptions

## Stress on Rocks

\_\_\_\_\_ – rocks move together

\_\_\_\_\_ – rocks move away from each other

\_\_\_\_\_ – rocks slide past each other

## Faults

A \_\_\_\_\_ or zone of fractures between two blocks of rock.

These blocks \_\_\_\_\_ relative to each other.

**A quick movement along fault lines results in an \_\_\_\_\_.**

There are \_\_\_\_\_ main types of faults.

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## Normal Fault

\_\_\_\_\_ - rocks move away from each other

Hanging wall moves \_\_\_\_\_ relative to the foot wall.

## Reverse Fault

\_\_\_\_\_ - rocks move toward each other

The hanging wall \_\_\_\_\_ relative to the footwall.

## Strike-Slip Fault

\_\_\_\_\_ shearing - rocks slide past each other

Rocks are displaced mainly in a \_\_\_\_\_, parallel to the fault line.

Example: San Andreas Fault in California

## Earthquakes

Occurs when the \_\_\_\_\_ built up along a fault line becomes so great that the rocks on either side of the fault suddenly \_\_\_\_\_.

This pent-up pressure is released as \_\_\_\_\_.

Energy radiates out in the form of \_\_\_\_\_ waves.

## Earthquakes (cont.)

This energy results in \_\_\_\_\_, which sometimes causes great destruction.

Small earthquakes happen frequently, but large ones are more \_\_\_\_\_ and difficult to \_\_\_\_\_.

Smaller \_\_\_\_\_ occur after the main event.

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## Layers of the Earth Review

Crust – \_\_\_\_\_ outer layer

Mantle – plastic-like \_\_\_\_\_

Outer Core - \_\_\_\_\_

Inner Core - \_\_\_\_\_

## Seismograph

An \_\_\_\_\_ that measures and records details of earthquakes.

Determines the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of an earthquake

\_\_\_\_\_ – the record produced by the seismograph

\_\_\_\_\_ – a scientist who studies earthquakes.

## Seismic Waves

P Waves (\_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_ waves to arrive at the seismic station (fastest)

Can move through the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ layers of the earth

Considered a “\_\_\_\_\_” wave

Shakes the ground back and forth (\_\_\_\_\_)

## Seismic Waves

S Waves (\_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_ than P Wave

Can move through the \_\_\_\_\_ layers (crust and mantle) of the earth –

also considered a \_\_\_\_\_ wave

Moves rock particles \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_

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## **P Wave/S Wave Graph**

A graph is sometimes used to determine either the \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ of seismic waves.

These type of graphs help scientists determine where earthquakes \_\_\_\_\_.

## **Seismic Waves**

### Surface Waves

Travel only through the \_\_\_\_\_

Arrive \_\_\_\_\_ P and S Waves

Almost entirely responsible for the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of an earthquake.

\_\_\_\_\_ types of Surface Waves (see diagram)

## **Focus and Epicenter**

\_\_\_\_\_ – the point within the earth where the earthquake originates

\_\_\_\_\_ – the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus.

## **Determining the Epicenter**

Scientists use a method called \_\_\_\_\_.

It takes \_\_\_\_\_ seismographs to locate the \_\_\_\_\_.

You must determine the \_\_\_\_\_ each station is from the earthquake and draw a \_\_\_\_\_ around each using the distance as the \_\_\_\_\_.

Where the \_\_\_\_\_ circles intersect, is the \_\_\_\_\_.

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## Measuring Earthquakes

\_\_\_\_\_ measures the strength or magnitude of an earthquake.

Numbered from \_\_\_\_\_

Each increase in magnitude is actually \_\_\_\_\_ times greater in

\_\_\_\_\_ - than the previous magnitude

## Measuring Earthquakes

Mercalli Scale measures the \_\_\_\_\_ or severity of an earthquake.

Numbered from \_\_\_\_\_

Describes what you might \_\_\_\_\_ during an earthquake in addition to the type of destruction.

## Tsunami

A powerful series of \_\_\_\_\_ generated by an earthquake or landslide \_\_\_\_\_.

Huge amounts of seawater are \_\_\_\_\_.

Can travel at an average of \_\_\_\_\_ in open ocean

Can be very destructive to \_\_\_\_\_

## Japan 2011

More than \_\_\_\_\_ killed

Earthquake \_\_\_\_\_ triggered a giant tsunami

\_\_\_\_\_ were overwhelmed, creating new problems for people in the middle of destruction

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## Earthquake Prediction

Currently there is no way to \_\_\_\_\_ an earthquake.

Scientists can identify \_\_\_\_\_ most likely to experience earthquakes (close to \_\_\_\_\_).

\_\_\_\_\_ seems to have a sixth sense in predicting earthquakes, but that hasn't been scientifically proven.

## Earthquake Preparedness

Emergency Kit

Determine a way of \_\_\_\_\_ with family members

Attach \_\_\_\_\_ to walls and put \_\_\_\_\_ stuff on bottoms

Shelves

Get \_\_\_\_\_ doorways or outside away from buildings

\_\_\_\_\_ are the killers.