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PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER EARTHQUAKES AND VOLCANIC ERUPTIONS

Expectations

This Unified Supplementary Learning Material will help you to:

- enumerate what to do before, during, and after earthquakes and volcanic eruptions; and
- design a preparedness plan/emergency plan and kit in case of earthquakes and volcanic eruptions.

Pre-Test

DIRECTIONS: Encircle the letter of the best answer.

- 1. Which shows a precautionary measure after an earthquake?
 - A. Secure heavy furniture such as cabinets to a wall.
 - B. Be ready for aftershocks; check yourself and others for injuries.
 - C. Protect yourself by wearing long sleeves, pants, and a face mask.
 - D. Store food, water, prepare an emergency kit, and practice emergency drill plans.
- 2. Which should be done while you are inside a building during an earthquake?
 - A. Do not use elevators.
 - B. Be familiar with the exit routes.
 - C. Store breakable materials properly.
 - D. Check yourself and others for injuries.
- 3. Which is **NOT** a safety precaution after a volcanic eruption?
 - A. Perform the "Duck, Cover, and Hold".
 - B. Stay indoors until authorities say it is safe to go outside.
 - C. Clear your house from ashfall that may cause roofs to collapse.
 - D. Listen to the latest updates on areas affected by the volcanic eruption.
- 4. In relation to earthquakes and volcanic eruptions, when do we prepare an emergency plan and survival kit?

A. after B. before

C. during

D. before, during, and after

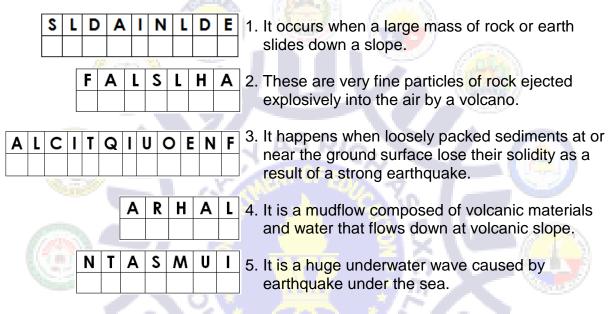
- 5. Which should be included in your emergency plan and kit in case of an earthquake and volcanic eruption?
 - I. laptop II. first aid kit III. emergency hotlines

A. I and II	B. II and III	C. I and III	D. I, II, and III
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Looking Back

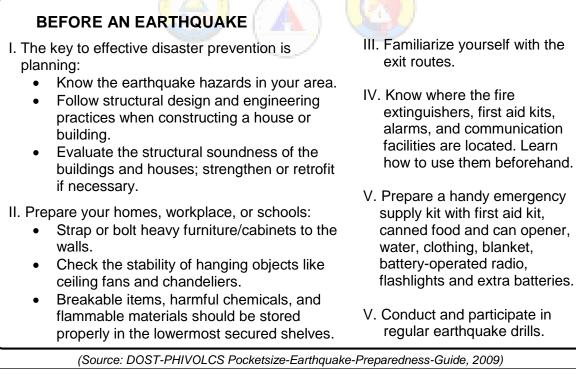
DIRECTIONS: Unscramble the clue letters to identify what is being described in the given statement.

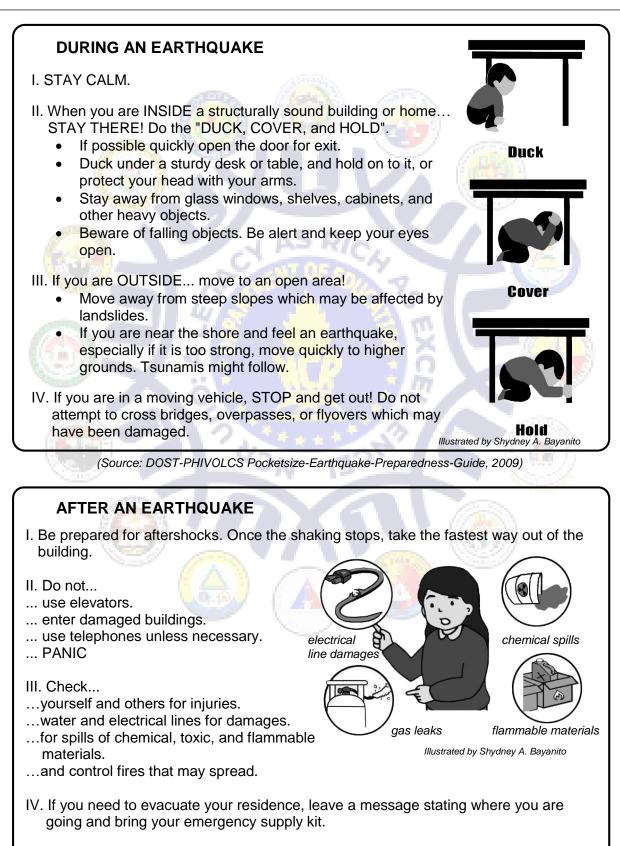


Brief Introduction

Volcanic eruptions and earthquakes can and will occur when we least expect them. Disaster preparedness is the key to effective planning and response to these unexpected events. To avoid unnecessary property damage or death during these natural disasters, precautionary steps should be taken.

Safety Precautions Before, During, and After an Earthquake





V. Keep updated on disaster prevention instructions from battery-operated radios.

(Source: DOST-PHIVOLCS Pocketsize-Earthquake-Preparedness-Guide, 2009)

Safety Precautions Before, During, and After Volcanic Eruption

BEFORE VOLCANIC ERUPTION

- Close windows and doors to reduce the entry of ash if heavy ashfall is expected to hit the community
- Bring animals and livestock into safe shelters.
- Prepare evacuation plans and conduct evacuation drills.
- Avoid low places or areas vulnerable to rock falls, lava flows, and mudflows.
- Prepare for evacuation if a warning for upcoming volcanic eruptions or mudflows is raised.
- Know the ways of protecting your house from ashfall, landslides, and debris flows by consulting your local disaster coordinating council.
- Know the areas vulnerable to volcanic hazards and assess your risk for dangers.
- Learn about your community warning systems and emergency plans.
- Be familiar with the permanent danger zone of a volcano.
- Prepare a survival kit.

DURING VOLCANIC ERUPTION

- Stay alert and awake.
- Follow the instructions that go with the warning. If there is a directive to evacuate, do so immediately.
- Protect their heads and get away from the area right away if caught in a small rockfall.
- Give priority for evacuation outside the area of ash shower to persons with breathing problems. They should be advised to cover their nose, preferably with a wet piece of cloth.
- Scrape off ashes to prevent heavy loading of the roofs. When doing so, the following precautionary measures should be observed:

-Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants;

- Wear goggles and eyeglasses instead of contact lenses;
- Avoid running car or truck engines. Driving a vehicle can stir-up volcanic ash that can clog engines, damage moving parts, and stall vehicles.

AFTER VOLCANIC ERUPTION

- Clear the canals and pathways of ash and other debris.
- Hose down the accumulated ash and plant leaves on roofs.
- Stay away from the slide area. There may be a danger of additional slides.
- Check for injured and trapped persons near the slide, without entering the direct slide area. Direct rescuers to their locations.
- Listen to local radio or television stations for the latest emergency information.
- Watch for flooding, which may occur after a landslide or debris flow.
- Report broken utility lines and suspected damaged buildings to appropriate authorities.
- If you have a respiratory ailment, avoid contact with ash. Stay indoors until local health officials advise it is safe to go outside. Volcanic ash can cause great damage to breathing passages and the respiratory system

(Source: DOST-PHIVOLCS Flyer-Ashfall-Preparedness-Guide 2015 and Disaster Risk Reduction Resource Manual 2008)

Activities

Activity 1: My Safety Checklist!

DIRECTIONS: Put a checkmark in the box with correct safety precautions before, during, and after an earthquake.

DURING BEFORE AFTER Check yourself and Stay calm. Be ready for others for injuries. aftershocks. Know the earthquake hazards □ Secure Strap or bolt Check and control in your area. heavy furniture/ fires that may cabinets to the walls. Perform the "Duck," spread. Cover and Hold". Breakable items Check water and should be stored □ If you are near the electrical lines for properly. shore and feel an damages. earthquake, Be familiar with the Stop and get out of a especially if it is too exit routes. moving vehicle. strong, move quickly Prepare evacuation to higher grounds. Cover containers to plan and handy Check for spills of avoid contamination emergency supply chemical, toxic, and from ash. kit. flammable materials.

Safety Precautions Before, During, and After an Earthquake

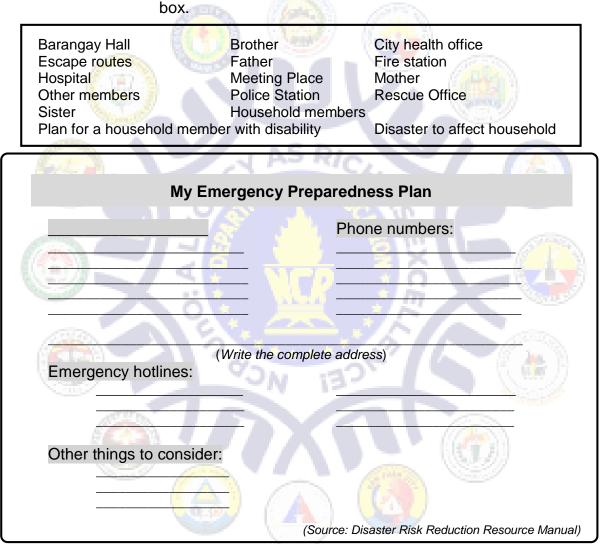
Activity 2. Volcano Alert!

DIRECTIONS: Analyze the volcanic events below then list two precautionary measures for each situation.

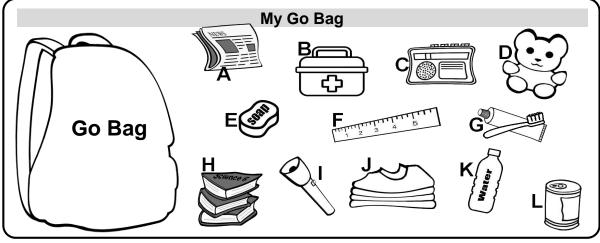
Volcanic events	Precautionary measures
A. Smoke can be seen rising from the volcano. The alert level has been declared.	
B. A red or orange glow can be seen as the hot magma reaches the surface of a volcano.	
C. The eruption is over, and magma is no longer rising into the volcano.	

Activity 3: Juan with a Plan!

A. **DIRECTIONS:** Fill in the emergency preparedness plan template with the needed information. Choose from the list of words inside the



B. **DIRECTIONS:** Write the letter of the things that you will include in your survival kit inside the bag.



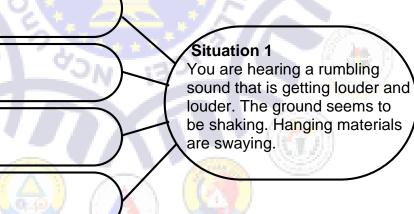
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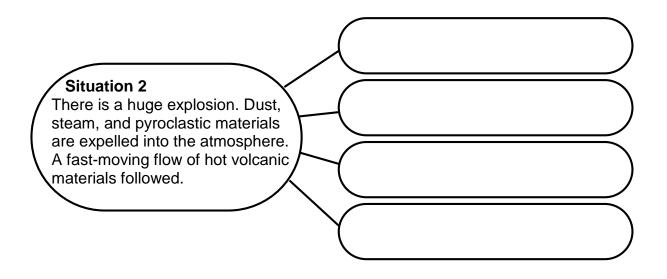
Remember

- An earthquake and volcanic eruption can have devastating effects on people and the environment.
- You and your family will have a greater chance of surviving these natural disasters if you practice precautionary measures before, during, and after an earthquake or volcanic eruption.
- Preparedness will reduce the number of casualties or injured, which is why you should have a plan ahead of time in case of these natural disasters.

Checking Your Understanding

DIRECTIONS: Read the situations carefully then, write the things that you should do to survive.





Post-Test

DIRECTIONS: Encircle the letter of the best answer.

- 1. Which precautionary measures for an earthquake are **correct**? I. **Before**- participate in earthquake drills
 - II. **During** store food, water, prepare an emergency kit, and practice emergency drill plans
 - III. After- be ready for aftershocks; check yourself and others for injuries

A. I & II B. II & III C. I & III D. I, II & III

- 2. Which should NOT be done while you are inside a building during an earthquake?
 - A. Perform the "Duck, Cover and Hold".
 - B. Look for protection under a sturdy table.
 - C. Run to the elevator doors and get inside.
 - D. Stay away from glass, heavy, and hanging objects.
- 3. Which precautionary measure should be done **before** a volcanic eruption? A. Go to an open sea.
 - B. Watch an erupting volcano.
 - C. Cover your face with a mask or damp cloth.
 - D. Prepare an emergency plan and survival kit.
- 4. What should be done after a volcanic eruption?
 - A. Practice evacuation drill.
 - B. Cross bridges if you are driving a car.
 - C. Stay indoors until authorities say it is safe to go outside.
 - D. Learn about the community's emergency alert systems and plans.
- 5. What should be considered in preparing an emergency plan and kit in case of earthquake and volcanic eruption?
 - A. Food, hygiene kit, camera, tent, watch, clothes
 - B. Newspaper, contact numbers, food, camping materials
 - C. Clothes, food, cooking utensils, mattresses, meeting area
 - D. Emergency hotlines, exit routes, food, hygiene kit, first aid kit

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Pre-test:

3.A 4.B 5.C 1.B 2.A

Activity 1: My Safety Checklist!

-Be ready for aftershocks. -Check and control fires Which may spread. Check water and electrical lines for damages.	-Stay calm. -Perform the "Duck, Cover and Hold". If you are near the shore and feel an earthquake, especially if it is too strong, move quickly to higher grounds.	-Strap or bolt heavy furniture/ cabinets to the walls. Breakable items should be stored properly. -Prepare evacuation plan and handy emergency supply kit.
-Be ready for	-Stay calm. -Stay calm.	-Strap or bolt heavy furniture/
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Barangay hall City health office	Mother
eletiqeon fire station	Father
Phone numbers Emergency hotlines:	A. Household members
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Precautionary measures	Volcanic events

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Answer Key

1.C 2.C 3.D 4.C 5.D Post-test