

Part One: A/- Reading Interpretation

1) - The best title to the text is:

c- A Devastating Earthquake.

2- True or false:

a- true b- false c- true d- false

3) - Answering questions:

a- The cities which are damaged by the earthquake are Tokyo and Yokohoma.

b- It happened that the sea drew back for a moment, the tremors dislodged part of a hillside and large sections of the sea-bed sank 400 meters; the land rose by 250meters in some places and sank in others.

4) - Referring words:

It (§1) = Tokyo bay who (§3)= a woman

B/- Text Exploration:

1) - Match each word with its definition:

A disaster= a terrible accident

Available= easy to obtain

Casualties= somebody who has a fatal accident or receives a serious injury.

2) - Complete sentence "b" so that it means the same as "a"

1-a- The journalist asked the seismic expert what he meant by mitigation.

2- b- My mother told me to turn off the gas valve if I wanted to avoid sparking fires or explosions in case of an earthquake.

3- c- Some preventive measures must be taken to reduce disasters.

4- d- You'd better not panic during an earthquake.

3) - Asking questions:

a- How was the earthquake?

b- Why should we work together?

4) - Fill in the gaps:

Earthquake- warning- prevent- dangers- precautions- damage.

5) - The pronunciation of the final "ed"

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collapsed	Occurred saved	landed