

Simon Explores Disasters

Simon Science Series
Level E



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Simon wants to learn more about natural disasters.



http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/2/2d/ADBC_Branch_in_BeiChuan_after_earthquake.jpg

**Simon feels the ground
shake. It is an earthquake.
An earthquake is a shake
in the Earth's surface.**



http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/4/4a/MtCleveland_ISS013-E-24184.jpg

Simon sees ash in the sky. It is a volcano. A volcano is a rupture in the Earth's surface.



<http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/1/1a/Dszpics1.jpg>

**Simon sees a black cloud
in the sky. It is windy. It
is a tornado. A tornado is
a rotating column of air.**



http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/0/04/Hurricane_Isabel_from_ISS.jpg

**Simon sees a lot of rain.
It is very windy. It is a
hurricane. A hurricane is a
strong wind storm with heavy
rain that starts in the ocean.**



http://www.dessko.com/assets/images/432/432_size_2560x1600_94356-3000x2000.jpg?1297380471

Simon sees a big wave. It is a tsunami. A tsunami is a large tidal wave in the ocean.



http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/4/4d/STOP_Snowing!.jpg

**Simon sees a lot of
snow. It is blowing snow.
It is a blizzard. A blizzard
is a severe snow storm.**



<http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/wallow-fire-apache-sitgreaves-4.jpg>
Credit: Jayson Coil/US Forest Service

**Simon sees a lot of fire.
It is a wildfire. A wildfire
is an uncontrollable fire
in the countryside.**



Simon learns the different kinds of natural disasters. Simon now knows what to look out for.



<http://aac-lerc.psu.edu/images/file/BillyBuildsaKit-storybook2.pdf>
http://aac-lerc.psu.edu/documents/billy_builds_a_kit_supported.pdf

Natural disasters can be scary so we need to be safe. We can go to safe places during a natural disaster.



The End

yes



Simon Becomes Disastrous

no



learn 	feel 	black 	Simon 	natural disaster 	ground 	earthquake
shake 	see 	strong 	sky 	ash 	volcano 	cloud
rupture 	windy 	big 	tornado 	rain 	hurricane 	storm
		scary 	ocean 	wave 	tsunami 	snow
		safe 	blizzard 	wildfire 	countryside 	different