

I. READING

The worst disasters in the world

In New Zealand's North Island, the beautiful Lake Taupo, with a population of 32,000, is a popular tourist attraction. It is also one of the world's most dangerous volcanoes. The lake was formed 26 thousand years ago when about 800 km³ of rock and ash exploded from the volcano, covering the whole New Zealand and a huge area of the ocean floor. Since then, there have been 28 major eruptions. The most recent, in 181 AD, was the world's biggest eruption in the past 5,000 years. People heard it in China and it changed the weather all over the world. No humans were living in New Zealand at that time. But now, the same eruption would completely destroy an area with a population of over 200,000. We know that the volcano will erupt again. We just don't know when.

The eruption of the volcano Krakatoa in 1883, near Indonesia, generated the loudest sound historically reported. The explosion was heard 5,000 kilometres away and 36,000 people died as a result of it. It affected the global climate for two years

One of the worst volcanic eruptions in history was in 79 AD. Mount Vesuvius, in Italy, erupted very suddenly, destroying the Roman towns of Pompeii and Herculaneum. It was just a normal day until the disaster happened: people were working, shopping and studying at school. When the volcano erupted, they tried to hide or run away, but most of them couldn't escape in time. They were killed by rocks, mud, ash and gas from the volcano. More than 20,000 people were killed.

An undersea earthquake in December 2004 caused a tragic tsunami, which killed about 300,000 people in eleven countries. The waves high up to 30 metres hit the coasts and damaged a lot of coastal villages and towns in Indonesia, India, Sri Lanka and Thailand.

On 12th April 1906, a terrible earthquake hit the city of San Francisco. For the next four days fires burnt through the city. The disaster destroyed more than 80% of the city. About 4,000 people died and more than half the population became homeless. The city was quickly rebuilt – but the danger hasn't gone away. There are now six million people in San Francisco and they are waiting for the next big earthquake. A recent study has shown that there is a 50% chance of this happening in the next 45 years.

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1. Lake Taupo has existed for years.

- a) 800
 c) 26,000
b) millions of
d) 32,000

2. The eruption of the New Zealand's volcano in 181 AD killed people.

- a) 5,000
b) 28
c) 200,000
d) over 200,000

3. The 2004 tsunami killed many people

- a) in China
 b) in Sri Lanka
c) in San Francisco
 d) on the Indonesian island of Sumatra

4. Pompeii and Herculaneum stopped existing

- a) 79 years ago
 b) in the first century
 c) about 1930 years ago
d) more than 2000 years ago

5. The eruption of was heard a few thousand kilometers away.

- a) Krakatoa
b) Vesuvius
c) Tsunami
 d) New Zealand's volcano

6. Wybierz prawdziwe zdania.

- a) 32 thousand tourists visit Lake Taupo every year.
b) The earthquake in San Francisco killed more than 80% of the city population.
 c) Another big earthquake is supposed to hit San Francisco in the future.
d) The earthquake in 1906 lasted for four days.

7. influenced the world's climate.

- a) The eruption of Krakatoa
 b) The volcanic eruption that happened 1827 years ago
c) The earthquake in the USA
d) An undersea earthquake in 2004

8. Nobody died in New Zealand in 181 AD because

- a) the eruption was really weak
 b) it was a desert island
 c) the island was uninhabited
d) only 200,000 people lived there

9. The biggest number of victims of natural disaster happened in

- a) 79 AD
b) 181 AD
c) 1883
 d) 2004

II. COMMUNICATION

10. A: Tom's already watched 'High Noon' on TV.

B:

- a) So am I
 c) So have I
b) So do I
d) Nor did I

11. A: What's on Channel 1 at six o'clock?

B:

- a) I'm looking forward to this film.
 b) As far as I remember there's a comedy.
c) I think that the comedy is after the news.
d) I hate comedies.

12. A: Could you go shopping with me, please?

B:

- a) I'm sorry, but I'm playing tennis with Mark.
b) I hate shopping, you know!
c) With you? You must be joking!
d) You're welcome.

13. A: Thank you very much for your help, Rick.

B:

- a) Don't mention it.
- b) Never mind.
- c) Not at all.
- d) You are welcome.

14. A: Would you like me to help you mend this bike?

B:

- a) Don't bother. I'm OK.
- b) Yes, please. That's very kind of you.
- c) No, don't worry. I can do it myself.
- d) I can manage, thanks.

15. A: What shall we do on Saturday afternoon?

B:

A: No, I'd rather go shopping.

- a) Let's play chess together.
- b) How about playing computer games?
- c) We shall ride a bike.
- d) Why don't we go for a walk together?

III. VOCABULARY

16. Matthew can't wait for anything and he's full of energy. He's

- a) patient and alive
- b) moody and sensible
- c) impatient and lively
- d) rude and polite

17. Match the words to their definitions.

1. Wikipedia	A. a newspaper with short articles and a lot of pictures
2. soap opera	B. a regular programme on TV that shows the same people in different amusing situations.
3. tabloid	C. an online encyclopaedia in many languages
4. sitcom	D. a TV serial about the lives of a group of people

- a) 1-D; 2-A; 3-B; 4-A
- b) 1-C; 2-D; 3-A; 4-B
- c) 1-A; 2-D; 3-C; 4-B
- d) 1-B; 2-C; 3-A; 4-D

18. You can buy stamps at the

- a) fishmonger's
- c) post office
- b) stationer's
- d) bank

19. is a person that works for no payment.

- a) A nurse
- c) A volunteer
- b) An accountant
- d) A nanny

20. What is it? "To increase the life and reliability of the device clean the spaces between the keys regularly" It's an instruction for use

- a) a printer
- b) a scanner
- c) a video camera
- d) a keyboard

21. We bought a new digital camera after the, They also took our computer and TV set.

- a) forgery
- b) burglary
- c) pickpocketing
- d) mugging

IV. GRAMMAR

22. Które zdania są poprawne?

- a) I don't know where did my mum buy these jeans.
- b) Could you show me where is the toilet?
- c) I don't understand what they are talking about.
- d) Could you tell me what you are cooking for dinner?

23. My father stopped ten years ago.

- a) to smoke
- b) smoking
- c) smoke
- d) to smoking

24. Jack (1) there (2) a month.

- a) (1) was; (2) for
- b) (1) has been; (2) since
- c) (1) is; (2) for
- d) (1) has been; (2) for

25. Margaret is keen listening to hard rock.

- a) about
- b) of
- c) on
- d) with

26. Mike (1) since we came back home. He (2) five sandwiches and a lot of sweets.

- a) (1) has been eating; (2) has eaten
- b) (1) is eating; (2) ate
- c) (1) has eaten; (2) ate
- d) (1)'s been eating; (2) 's eaten

27. The summer holidays and the children have to go back to school.

- a) ended
- b) have been over
- c) run out
- d) are over

28. The police (1) three burglars who (2) last Friday.

- a) (1) have released; (2) were caught
- b) (1) have been released; (2) arrested
- c) (1) have set free; (2) were arrested
- d) (1) set free; (2) caught

29. If I (1) you, (2) some money every month to buy an ipod.

- a) (1) am; (2) I will save
- b) (1) were; (2) I would collect
- c) (1) was; (2) I'll collect
- d) (1) were; (2) I'd save

30. It's pouring today. Jack (1) to the forest to pick up mushrooms if it (2)

- a) (1) will go; (2) isn't raining
- b) (1) would go; (2) weren't raining
- c) (1) might go; (2) wasn't raining
- d) (1) would have gone; (2) it hadn't rained