Disasters

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SPEAKING

1 Look at the pictures. What has happened? What do you think caused this disaster? Discuss with a partner.

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/ˈdaʊnpɔː/



Downpour

(Heavy rain)

A sudden downpour caused a lot of traffic.

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/ˈlan(d)slʌɪd/



Landslide

(Collapse of earth or rock from a mountain)

The road was damaged by a landslide.

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/dɪˈspɛː/

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Despair

(Hopeless, unhappiness, pain)

We shouldn’t despair in this situation.

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/ˈdɛvəstɛɪt/



Devastate

(Destroy, ruin, wreck)

The city was devastated by a huge storm.

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/strand/



Strand

(shore of a sea)

They decided to have a picnic on the strand,



/ˈsʌfə/



Suffer

(Hurt, pain, ache, down fall)

She was suffering from intense depression.

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/ˈtrɪgə/

Trigger

(Activate, set off, trip)

The disease can be triggered by stress.

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/təˈrɛnʃ(ə)l/



Torrential

(Severe, rapid, violent, heavy)

A torrential downpour closed the city down for days.

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2 Which word in the box means:

downpour	**flood**	**flood water**	**landslide**	**despair**
devastate	**strand**	**suffer**	**trigger**	**torrential**

1 to destroy or seriously damage something?
2 to leave something or someone where they can't move away?
3 to fill or cover with water?
4 to cause something to happen?

Make similar sentences.



Investing in solar energy is a wise move.

I feel sorry for the victims of the disaster.





We should try to use biodegradable packaging.

Make similar sentences.

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I feel purchasing bio products is a good investment for my health.

Renewable energy is a good first step to solving the planet's problems.





The new environmental policies released by the council look promising.

Make similar sentences.

The tsunami caused devastation along the coast line.



Climate change is the challenge of our generation.



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Discuss the topic below.

Recently, the spread of digital gadgets and computers has made the process of recycling even more complicated.

Speaking

- What are some things you could do to live more sustainably?
- Example: I could start by taking a reusable coffee cup for my morning coffee instead of accepting a **disposable** paper cup.



Talk about the issues relating to the consumption and waste of plastic for the environment.





Homework

Prepare a presentation and talk about the pictures below.



