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Level 0 – 19th May, 2022

Tonga volcano eruption was a record explosion

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The explosion from the Tonga volcano was the biggest ever recorded using modern technology. It was also the biggest in the past 150 years. A researcher said: "Tonga was a truly global event." He said there was nothing ever recorded that was as powerful as the Tonga volcano.

The eruption sent shock waves and tsunami waves around the world. People heard sonic booms in Alaska. It made clouds in the UK disappear. A scientist said: "What happens on one side of the planet can [spread] around to the other side at the speed of sound." NASA said the volcano changed the weather in space.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-61452860>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The explosion from | a. Tonga volcano |
| 2. the biggest ever | b. technology |
| 3. modern | c. biggest |
| 4. It was also the | d. global event |
| 5. in the past | e. recorded |
| 6. Tonga was a truly | f. nothing |
| 7. He said there was | g. 150 years |
| 8. as powerful as the | h. the Tonga volcano |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. shock | a. in space |
| 2. tsunami waves around | b. UK disappear |
| 3. People heard sonic | c. around |
| 4. It made clouds in the | d. waves |
| 5. on one side of the | e. booms |
| 6. can spread | f. of sound |
| 7. at the speed | g. the world |
| 8. the volcano changed the weather | h. planet |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The (1) _____ Tonga volcano was the biggest
(2) _____ modern technology. It was also the
biggest (3) _____ 150 years. A researcher said:
"Tonga (4) _____ global event." He said there
(5) _____ recorded that was
(6) _____ the Tonga volcano.

The eruption (7) _____ and tsunami waves
around the world. People heard (8) _____
Alaska. It made (9) _____ UK disappear. A
scientist said: "What happens on one side
(10) _____ can [spread] around to the other side
at the (11) _____." NASA said the volcano
changed the (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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VOLCANOES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about volcanoes in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

WRITING

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Write about **volcanoes** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
