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EARTHQUAKES

What are Earthquakes?

Earthquakes are caused when the tectonic plates move into each other, or move apart. Tectonic plates are like puzzle pieces that make up the world, there are at least 20 of them in the world. There are three types of earthquakes: A strike slip fault, where one tectonic plate slides left and the other right; A normal fault, where the left tectonic plate moves up and the other moves down; And a reverse fault were the right tectonic plate moves up and the other down.

Were do Earthquakes occur?

Earthquakes occur on the fault line, the place were two tectonic plates meet. When they rub, move apart or push in, it causes an Earthquake. Earthquakes are most common in Japan, but also in Indonesia, New Zealand, Vanuatu and the Solomon Islands. If an Earthquake occurs in the sea, it will cause a Tsunami which is a giant wave. These usually come after there is an earthquake, there can also be a fire instead of a tsunami.

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<u>Volcanoes</u>
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Volcanoes are where there is a crack in the earth and magma spills out to create a small type of mountain over time, more magma spills out the hole at the top of the Volcano to make it bigger. There are two types of Volcanos, exploding; volcanoes that explode lava out and create a massive, burning, and fast ash cloud that can burn a house down and no human or car can outrun it. They are the most dangerous ones. The second type of volcano is an effusive volcano, which is constantly erupting and it's lava is about as fast as we walk. We can certainly outrun them and they do not produce an ash cloud. There are another category of Volcanoes which show if they are active or not. Active - regular activity; Dormant - recent





