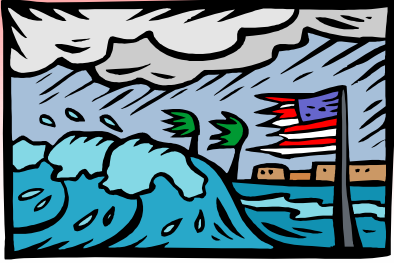


Hurricanes

Match the definitions on the right with the words on the left.

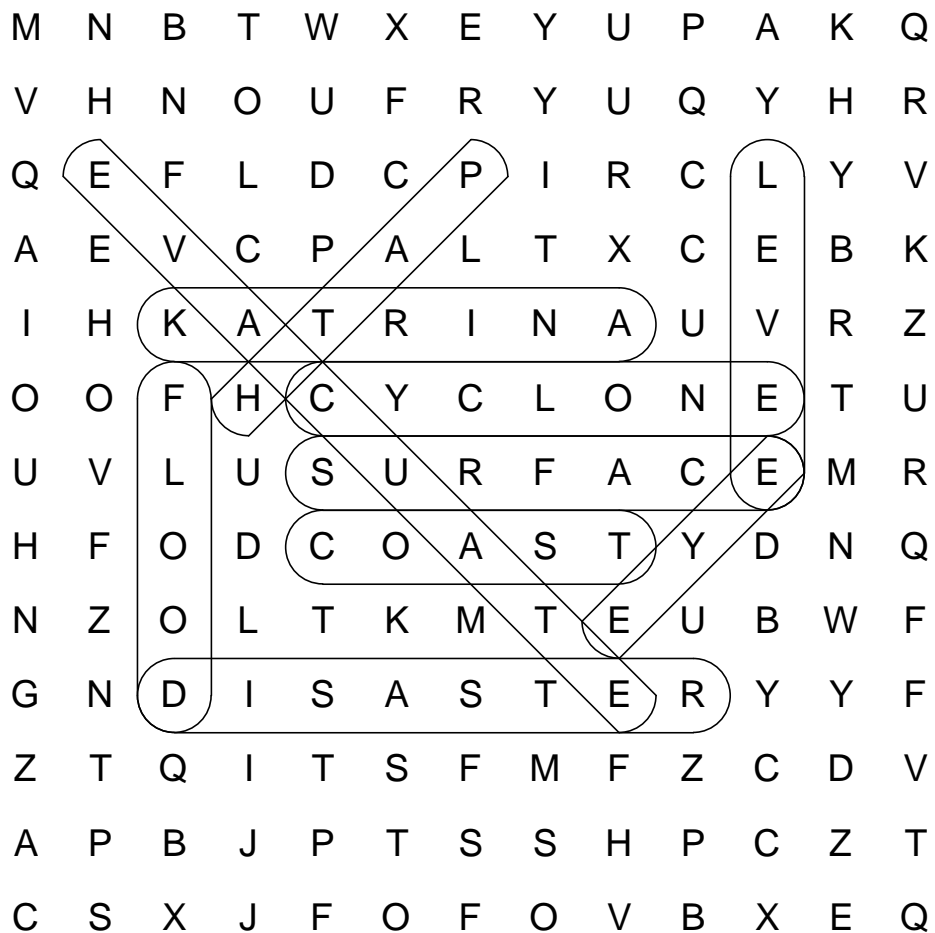
A	authorities
B	record
C	levee
D	escape
E	disaster
F	hemisphere
G	moist
H	calm
I	broadcast
J	coastal
K	dock
L	evacuate
M	plywood
N	property
O	occur
P	install

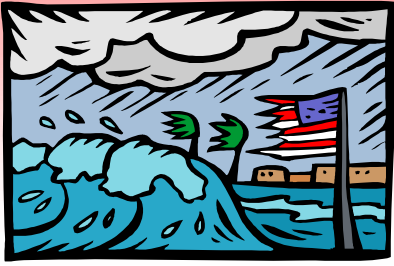
C	a special wall that is built to stop flooding from a river
P	to set up and make ready to work
F	half of the earth
K	place where boats or ships are fixed to land
A	people or organisations that have the power to make decisions
I	to send out a radio or TV programme
J	place where land and water come together
O	happen
B	to write down information
M	a material made of many layers of wood that makes it strong
G	wet
E	something that happens by surprise and causes a lot of damage
L	to bring people away from a dangerous place
H	quiet, smooth
D	to get away from a dangerous place
N	your house and the land that is on it



Hurricanes

Word Search—Find 10 words (⇒⇩⇧⇨) that have something to do with hurricanes .



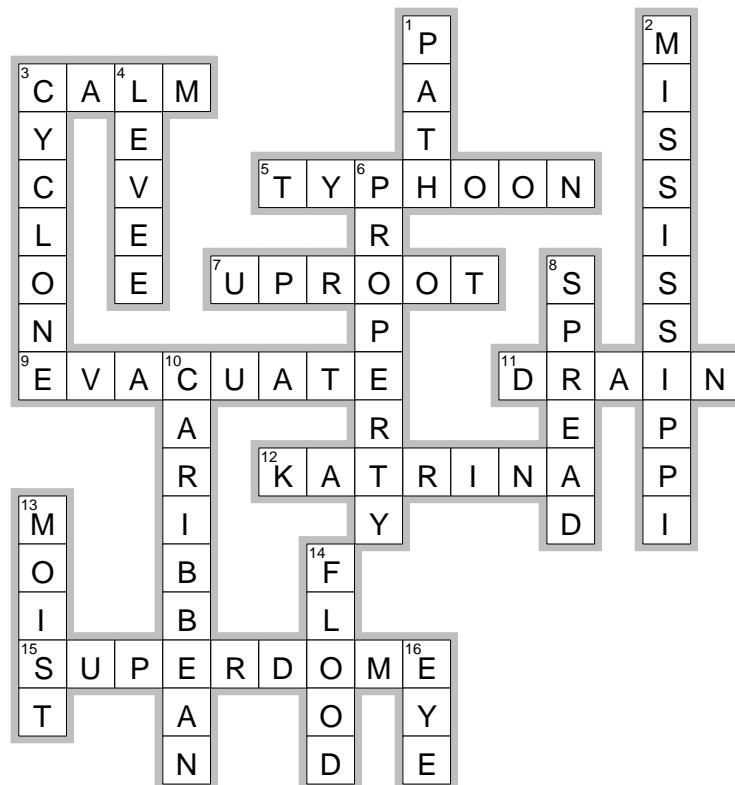


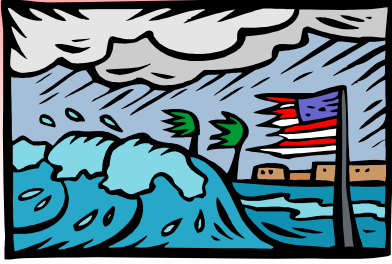
Hurricanes

True or false ?

	T	F
The eye of a hurricane has the strongest winds.		X
Hurricanes come from the Caribbean Sea and move northwest towards the Gulf coast.	X	
When hurricanes hit land they lose some of their energy	X	
One year hurricanes only get male names and the next year only female names.		X
The same names are used every year.		X
In Australia hurricanes are called willy-willes.	X	
Hurricanes often cause a rise in sea level near the coast.	X	
All hurricanes begin as tropical storms.	X	
In the northern hemisphere the air around a hurricane moves in a clockwise direction		X
A hurricane watch tells you that a hurricane may come to your area.	X	

Crossword





Hurricanes

Fill in the blanks

Hurricane Katrina was one of the most powerful **storms** that has ever been **sighted** in the Atlantic Ocean. A week after it had formed it hit New Orleans and **flooded** most of the city.

New Orleans lies in a **dangerous** area because it is in the middle of **hurricane** routes and the **Mississippi** river also flows through the city. In the past years **levees** have been built to **protect** the city from flooding and pumps were made to **drain** the water away.

When Katrina hit New Orleans it brought along **heavy** rainfall and parts of the levee **broke**. Most of the city's **population** was **evacuated** and a few thousand were able to reach the **Superdome**. About a hundred thousand people, mostly **poorer** ones could not leave the city. They had no **electricity** and water for many days. Chaos **spread** through most parts of the town and **violence** went up.

The city **authorities** were not well-prepared for the **disaster**. There were almost no plans to get people out of the city. President Bush waited for four days before he **visited** the area. Thousands of people died in one of the biggest catastrophes in American **history**.