

WATER RELATED DISASTERS

Match text with infographics

Tornado - Tsunami - hurricane - flood



A _____ is an overflow of water onto land that is normally dry. Severe flooding is caused by heavy rain or the rapid melting of snow and ice.



A _____ is a violent rotating column of air extending from a thunderstorm to the ground. During a thunderstorm, the warm air rises through the colder air, causing an updraft, which begins to rotate if winds vary sharply in speed or direction.





A ______ is a large ocean wave that is caused by sudden motion on the ocean floor.

This could be caused by an earthquake, a volcanic eruption, or an underwater landslide.

Tsunamis travel across the open ocean at great speeds and build into large deadly waves.



A ______ is a large rotating storm with high-speed winds that forms over warm waters. When humid air is flowing upward at a zone of low pressure over warm ocean water, the water is released from the air, thus creating the clouds of the storm. As it rises, the air in a hurricane rotates.