

Chapter 14: When the Earth Shook

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Questions

Question 1

Have you or anyone that you know ever faced such difficulty?

Solution

Answer: No, but I heard it on the television news.

Question 2

Who all helped at such a time? Make a list.

Solution

Answer: In such difficulty, many people like people from neighbouring states, military forces, doctors and political leaders helped them.

Discuss:

Question 1

A lot of people from other places came to Jasma's village. Who were these people? In what ways would they have helped the villagers?

Solution

Answer: Many people came from cities to Jasma's village. Some of them were from non-government organisations, some of them were scientists, and some of them were doctors and medical personnel.

They have helped the people of the village by bringing in much-needed relief. They brought food, clothes, and medicines. The scientists wanted to identify areas which were more prone to get earthquakes. Doctors and medical personnel provided first aid to the people who got injured.

Question 2

People in Jasma's village rebuilt their houses with suggestions from the engineers. Will these houses be safer than before in case there is an earthquake again? Why?

Solution

Answer: The engineers gave suggestions to build houses with specific designs so that there would be least damage in case of an earthquake. So, these houses would be safer in case there is an earthquake again.

Question 3

Think, if there were an earthquake where you live, would your house be in danger?

Solution

Answer: In case of an earthquake in my area, my house would definitely be in danger. The worst is the possibility of the roof collapsing. It can also damage household items and cause injuries to us.

Question 4

What will you do to save pet animals during a natural disaster?

Solution

Answer: I will prepare an emergency kit for my pets, which consists of medical needs, water, food etc., along with the shelter.

write:

Question 1

According to the TV report, thousands of people were injured, and some died in Gujarat. If the buildings had been made in a way that they would not fall in the earthquake, would the damage have been different? How?

Solution

Answer: People do not die because of the earthquake, but they may get injured or die because of house collapse. So, if the buildings are made earthquake-proof, then there will be least damage in case

of an earthquake.

Question 1 (2)

Q1: Have you been told in your school or anywhere else about what to do in case of an earthquake?

Solution

Answer: Yes, there was a seminar on what to do in case of an earthquake. We were told to go to an open area. If someone is unable to go to an open area, then they can hide under a table and hold it firmly.

Question 2

At times like this, when people have lost their homes and all their belongings, what kind of help would they need?

Solution

Answer: At such times, people will need tents to prepare huts and basic needs like cloth, food, water and medicines etc.

Question 3

In such situations, whose help would be needed and for what? Write in your notebook as shown here.

Whose help will be needed	How will they help
1. Dog	To smell out where people are lying trapped
2. _____	_____

Solution

Whose Help Will be Needed?	How Will They Help?
1. Dog	To smell out where people are lying trapped

2. Doctors	To provide first aid and medical care
3. Government organisation	To provide required relief measures
4. Non-government organisation	To provide required relief measures

Discuss: (2)

Question 1

Have you ever seen people in your area helping each other? When?

Solution

Answer: Yes, I have seen people helping each other during accidents.

Question 2

Why do people live together in a neighbourhood?

Solution

Answer: People live together in a neighbourhood to share their happiness as well as to help each other in difficult times.

Question 3

Imagine living in a place where there were no other houses or people around. How would it be? For example, whom would you play with? With whom would you celebrate festivals and special days? Would you be scared?

Solution

Answer: It would definitely be a difficult situation, the festivals and special days would be boring without anyone. Of course, it would be very scary.

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Think, if there were an earthquake where you live, would your house be in danger? What kind of damage could take place?

Why do you think one should go under a table during an earthquake?

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