

Finn's Earth Adventure: Understanding Earthquakes

Learning objective: To understand that the Earth beneath our feet can sometimes move and to identify how to stay safe during an earthquake.

Help Finn the Dolphin learn about the ground we walk on. Read each question carefully and talk about your answers with your teacher or grown-up.

Our world is made of big pieces of rock. Sometimes, these pieces move and push against each other. When they push, the ground can shake. This is called an earthquake. It is important to know how to stay safe if the ground starts to wobble.

Word bank: shake · ground · safe · under · table · earthquake

1. Finn the Dolphin wants to know: What do we call it when the ground starts to shake? (1 mark)

2. If you are inside and the ground shakes, where is a good place to hide to stay safe? (2 marks)

3. Should you run outside if the ground is shaking, or stay inside and find a safe spot? Why? (2 marks)

4. How does the ground feel during an earthquake? Draw a circle around the word: Smooth / Wobbly / Still. (1 mark)

5. If you had a toy kit to keep in your bag for an emergency, what are two things you would put in it? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of yourself hiding safely under a sturdy table during an earthquake. Remember to draw a big smile on your face because you are being very brave and safe!



Extension challenge: Talk to your family about a 'safe spot' in your house. Where is the best place to go if the floor begins to move? Practice 'Drop, Cover, and Hold' with your friends.