

Earthquake Explorers: Flashcards with Finn the Dolphin

Learning objective: To understand the key terms related to earthquakes and how they shape our world.

Read the front of each card. Can you say the answer out loud? Then, check the back of the card to see if you are right!

What is the Earth's thin, outer layer called?

The Crust

What do we call the giant puzzle pieces that make up the Earth's surface?

Tectonic Plates

What is the crack in the Earth's crust where plates move called?

A Fault

Where does an earthquake first start deep underground?

The Focus

What is the spot on the surface directly above the earthquake's start?

The Epicentre

What is the name of the tool used to measure earthquake shaking?

Seismograph

What is the scale used to measure how strong an earthquake is?

The Richter Scale

What is a small shaking of the ground before or after a big quake?

A Tremor

What is a smaller earthquake that happens after a big one?

An Aftershock

Is the Earth's surface always perfectly still?

No, it is always moving very slowly!