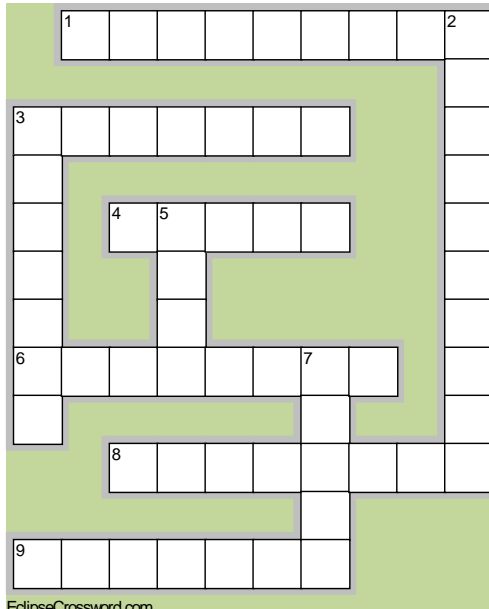


# NATURAL DISASTERS

## Across

- a very strong wind in west Atlantic
- tidal wave
- a large amount of water spread from a river, sea etc. that covers an area that is normally dry
- a very bad event, causing harm or death
- move somebody from a dangerous place
- a long period without rain



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## Down

- a sudden violent movement of the ground
- a strong wind that blows in a circle
- hot liquid rock
- (of a volcano) to explode and throw out fire, lava, smoke etc.



## Use the words from the crossword to complete the sentences

- Last night volcano Maui \_\_\_\_\_ and the hot \_\_\_\_\_ poured downhill. Since there are two villages located at the foot of the volcano, the local population was \_\_\_\_\_.
- The devastation caused by superstorm Sandy, particularly in New York and New Jersey, is tragic, but the \_\_\_\_\_ has at least put climate change back on the map.
- After the harshest winter in decades, the Balkans region in the southeast of Europe is now facing its hottest summer and the worst \_\_\_\_\_ across the area in nearly 40 years.
- A powerful \_\_\_\_\_ off the coast of Indonesia sparked a three-metre-high \_\_\_\_\_ that killed at least 113 people.
- A landslide caused by rains in southern China left 21 people missing today, adding to a growing death toll from China's worst \_\_\_\_\_ season in a decade.
- This summer a dozen \_\_\_\_\_, which are more common in the US, have hit Europe. The twister which swept through Poland yesterday flattened more than 400 hectares of woodland in the area.
- The US navy has been deployed to help avert a looming environmental \_\_\_\_\_ in the Gulf of Mexico.

## The answer key:

### a) the crossword puzzle



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### b) gap-fill

1. erupted; lava; evacuated
2. hurricane
3. drought
4. earthquake; tsunami
5. flood
6. tornadoes
7. disaster