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Earthquake Vocabulary

Complete the activity.



1. _____ Fault that makes California an area of high risk for earthquakes.
2. _____ An instrument used to detect and record earthquakes.
3. _____ The process of an oceanic plate colliding with and descending underneath a continental plate.
4. _____ The area of the earth's surface that is directly above the origin of an earthquake.
5. _____ This country's capital city was devastated by an earthquake in 1985.
6. _____ Used to measure the strength of earthquakes.
7. _____ The zone of earthquakes and volcanoes surrounding the Pacific Ocean.
8. _____ Waves from an earthquake are known as these.
9. _____ This city experienced an earthquake in 1989 which postponed baseball's World Series.
10. _____ A crack in the earth's surface along which movement takes place.
11. _____ The point within the earth where an earthquake rupture starts.
12. _____ The large, thin, plates that move relative to one another on the outer surface of the Earth.
13. _____ Large ocean wave created by undersea earthquakes or volcanic eruptions.

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San Andreas	fault	focus	subduction	
Richter scale	epicenter	ring of fire	tectonic plates	