

Geography



Knowledge organiser – Earthquakes (UKS2)

What will we be learning?

- The structure of the Earth.
- Features of earthquakes
- Famous earthquakes and tsunamis.
- Effects of earthquakes and tsunamis.

Key knowledge

- ☐ The Earth is made up of layers. The top layer, the Earth's crust, consists of large slabs of rocks, called plates.
- ☐ The plates move as the hot mantle flows beneath them. The movement of the plates causes earthquakes
- ☐ When the epicentre of an earthquake is located offshore, a tsunami can be formed.
- ☐ The effects on people and the land





Key Vocabulary	Glossary
Physical Crust, aftershock, fault line, mantle, plate, tremor, tsunami, cluster earthquake, tectonic plate Human Effect on people: disaster / relief Location: San Andreas fault (USA) Skills Richter scale	epicentre: where an earthquake starts and is felt most strongly tsunami – a huge and powerful wave caused by an earthquake

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