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Earthquake Quiz

1. Earthquakes usually happen along cracks in the earth's crust called...?
 Jagged lines Fault Lines
 Layers Wrinkles
2. The region of the United States with the most earthquakes is...?
 the North the South
 the West the East
3. When scientists use a seismograph, they are measuring... ?
 the length of the fault. how long the earthquake lasted.
 how much the earth shook. how many buildings collapsed.
4. The earth's crust is split into pieces called tectonic plates. What did Johnny's mother say these plates were like?
 Sponges Glass
 Rocks Puzzle pieces
5. Which of the following is NOT true?
 Tidal waves called Tsunami happen during earthquakes under the ocean. Earthquakes only happen in California.
 You should drop and cover during an earthquake. Most earthquakes cannot be felt.
6. The magnitude of an earthquake means...?
 Its size on the Richter scale. How many people were hurt.
 The center of the earthquake. How loud it was.
7. Most earthquakes last...?
 15 minutes One day
 More than 5 minutes Less than 1 minute
8. One of the biggest dangers to people during earthquakes is...?
 The lights go out. Things can fall on you.
 The noise is horrible. You can fall in big cracks.

Write two things you learned about earthquakes:
