

**2034 NANUKU SANGAM SCHOOL
LESSON NOTES
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Subject: Social Science

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LESSON NOTES:

NATURAL DISASTERS/HAZARDS IN THE PACIFIC

Natural Disasters are disasters that occur due to nature.

Some common natural disasters in the Pacific are:

- ✓ Cyclones/Hurricanes (very common)
 - ✓ Tsunami – huge waves generated after an earthquake
 - ✓ Floods - caused due to heavy rainfall (common)
 - ✓ Droughts – no rain for a long period of time
 - ✓ Earthquake – sudden shaking of the earth’s surface
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- Leeward Side (dry zone) is the dry side of Viti Levu (Sigatoka to Rakiraki)
 - Windward side (wet zone) is the areas facing the south east trade winds.
It is mostly raining in this areas (Navua to Tailevu)

QUESTIONS

1. What is the most common natural disaster in the Pacific?
Hurricanes, flooding
2. List 2 ways to prepare for the disaster you have named in (1) above.
Hurricanes – trim branches of trees near your house, tie your house, prepare enough food and fuel supplies, put shutters on windows
Flooding – move to higher ground, stay away from flooded rivers and creeks, move animals to higher ground
3. Why are natural disasters harmful?
-It damages properties
-It kills people
- It destroys crops
4. How can you prepare for a Tsunami?
-Move to higher ground