

Earthquakes: Preparedness in BC

The internet is a wealth of information about a great deal of things, including earthquakes. Read the website found on the Blog and answer the questions below.

Questions (based on the website, in order of the website):

1. On Jan 26, 1700 at 9pm a magnitude 9 earthquake happened off the coast of BC. In the resulting tsunami, how many Loht'a residents were lost?

2. How many earthquakes happen in BC each year?

3. Where are the most at-risk regions in BC?

4. If you feel an earthquake starting, what should you do?

5. What should you do when the shaking stops?

6. Make a Plan: What are a few things that you can do to be prepared ahead of time? Optional, but a good idea: go to this website www.gov.bc.ca/PreparedBC to complete a plan with your family.

7. What should you do *now/today* to help your home survive earthquake shaking.

8. What should you turn off in the event of leaks?

9. List 11 items that should be in your basic emergency supply kit.

10. What areas are at risk for tsunamis? If you live in one of these areas, what should you do after you Drop, Cover and Hold On?

Be prepared, not scared!!