

Read the paragraphs and answer the questions.

There was a hurricane watch. Jim watched the TV. The weather man said a hurricane was near the coast. He said, "Pay attention to the weather." The man warned people. He said, "Leave your homes!". The man said, "Remain calm". Jim gathered his family. He went to the car. They drove away from the coast. They were not injured.

The hurricane left debris on Jim's roof. There were tree limbs and trash on Jim's roof. Jim's window was cracked. Jim and his wife cleaned up. They repaired the window. They were glad their house was not damaged.

1. There was a hurricane _____.
2. What did Jim watch?
3. Where was the hurricane?
4. The weather man said, " _____ attention to the weather".
5. The man warned the people to _____ their homes.
6. Jim _____ his family.
7. Was Jim's family injured?

Choose a word to fit in the blank. Use these words:

tornado	explosion	blizzard	car wreck
earthquake	fire	avalanche	volcano
mud slide	calm	flood	drought

1. When snow slides down the slope of a mountain that is an _____.
2. When mud slides down the slope of a mountain, it is a _____.
3. A strong circular wind is a _____.
4. A mountain that erupts with fire and smoke is a _____.
5. Things blow apart violently in an _____.
6. The ground shakes and moves in an _____.
7. A large snow storm with strong winds is a _____.
8. One car crashes into another in a _____.
9. The river has too much water and overflows in a _____.
10. There is very little rain in a _____.
11. My house burned in a hot _____.
12. After the storm, the wind died and it was _____.

VERBS of TALKING: Read these sentences. Note the verbs: **say, said, tell, asked, talk, call**

He said he wanted some coffee.
 He said, "I want some coffee".

How do you say "book" in Spanish.
 You say, "libro".

Tell me your name again.
 He told me his name.

He tells me the answers.

He told me how to fix the leaking faucet.

My sister asked me where I was going.
I asked him to turn off the music.
We asked the waiter for the check.

Do you speak English?
I like talking to you.
I called him, but he didn't answer.

What do you say in these situations?

1. You want to know where the bus stop is..._____
2. You want to know the word for "hello" in Arabic..._____
3. You want to know what time it is..._____
4. You want to know where the restroom is..._____
5. You want to find someone who speaks Spanish..._____

Circle the correct verb to complete the phrase.

1. Ask/Tell/Say someone a joke.
2. Talk/Speak/Say "house" in Spanish.
3. Answer/Ask for/Ask the check
4. Answer/Speak/Ask an email
5. Tell/Say/Speak hello to the lady.
6. Talk/Speak/Talk to a friend about your problems.
7. Ask/Say/Talk someone to help you.

Learning Idioms

Needless to say, I should have studied more.
Definition: it is so obvious that it doesn't need to be said

The dinner was average, to say the least.
Definition: that is the very best you could say about it

Only the men have a say in making the laws in some countries. I'd like to have a say in the final decision.
Definition: be allowed to make a decision

Ben and Jack talked shop all night. We girls were really bored. Don't talk shop at a party.
Definition: to talk about business or work at a social event

Aunt Betty will talk your ear off. I'm afraid I talked your ear off.
Definition: to talk a lot

You two talk it over and make your decision. We talked it over and decided to buy the used car.
Definition: discuss together

Mother talked us out of coming home this year. We talked the teacher out of punishing the kids.
Definition: convince not to do something