


Morning Starters: Spring 1 - Violent Earth

Word Challenge

Write the correct spelling of each back-to-front word listed below:

- 1) cinotcet
- 2) ekauqhtrae
- 3) tseildaed
- 4) despalloc

Grammar Challenge

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Rewrite the sentence below, replacing each underlined adjective with a powerful alternative.

The trembling ground split open with a thunderous roar, sending desperate cries into the dust-choked air.

Did You Know?

Earthquakes happen when Earth's tectonic plates suddenly shift, releasing energy that shakes the ground. The deadliest earthquake in history struck Shaanxi, China, in January 1556, killing nearly one million people. Many lived in hillside caves that collapsed under the quake's force, causing widespread tragedy. Alarmingly, around 40 million people in China still occupy caves today, making them vulnerable to future quakes and their devastating impact.

Where in the world is Shaanxi? Click the 



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Number Challenge

Fact: Each year, around 18 major earthquakes are recorded worldwide. A major earthquake measures 7 – 7.9 on the Richter scale.

Around how many earthquakes are expected to occur between now and the year 2100?

Critical Thinking

Why do so many people live in earthquake-prone areas despite the risks?