

Many lives were lost and many people need help following Haiti's earthquake. Kids everywhere are saying:

Kids Can Help, Too!



There are LOTS of ways kids like you can help. This special Kid Scoop page tells you how!

Measuring Earthquakes

An **earthquake** is one of the most powerful forces on earth. On January 12, 2010 a major earthquake near Haiti's capital city of Port-au-Prince destroyed buildings throughout this tiny nation. Thousands of lives were lost.

Try This

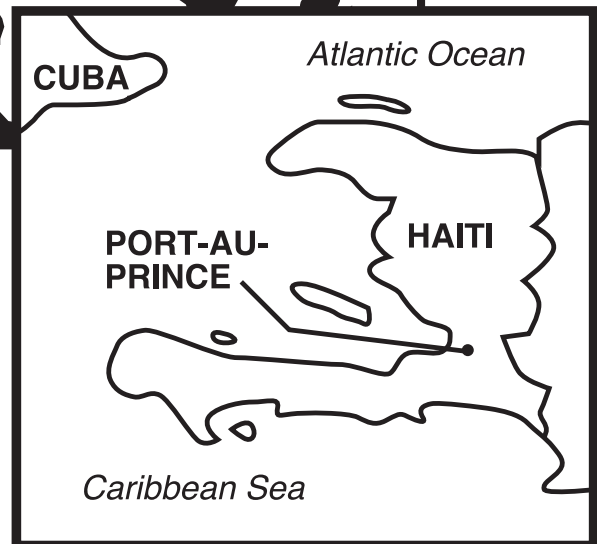
Scientists use an instrument called a **seismograph** to measure earthquakes. Try this activity with a friend to find out how a seismograph works.



1. On a table place a small toy car on a piece of paper.
2. One person holds a pencil with the lead lightly resting on the paper.
3. The other person moves the paper back and forth very slowly. What kind of line does the pencil make? Does the car move?
4. Now move the paper so that the car starts to slide around. What kind of line does the pencil make now?

Where is Haiti?

Haiti is an island nation located in the Caribbean Sea, south of the United States.



How do earthquakes happen?



When you crack the shell of a hard-boiled egg, you get a lot of separate pieces or **plates** of shell. The crust of the earth is like the shell of a hard-boiled egg. It is broken up into plates, too. But, unlike the pieces of a hard-boiled egg, the plates of the earth's crust move.

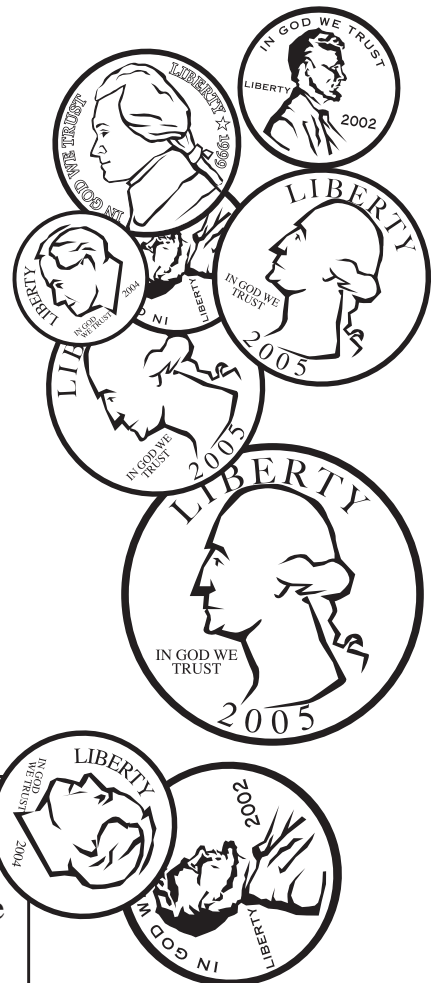
Standards Link: Earth Science: Students know that plate tectonics account for major geological events.

It All Adds Up

Following Hurricane Katrina, Kid Scoop readers came up with creative ideas to raise a lot of money, a little at a time. A student in Pennsylvania told us ...

“We helped with a game called PENNY WARS! In Penny Wars, each class competes against other classes. Each class tried to have the smallest amount of money in its class bin at the end of the week. How? Students donate money to another class's bin to make the amount in the other bins higher than the home class bin. We hoped to raise \$400 in the week-long competition. Thanks to generous donations, we raised 5 times our goal, a total of \$2,184,60!”

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This Idea Makes Cents!

Ask an adult if there are some chores around home you could do to raise a little money for Haiti earthquake victims. You'll be helping two places at once!

Name: _____

Creative Corner



Create a Poster!

Several organizations are asking the public to donate money to help get the supplies they need to assist people affected by the earthquake.

Make a poster, or several posters, that includes these words:

**HELP HAITIAN
EARTHQUAKE
VICTIMS!**

**Please donate what
you can to:
(name of organization)
(Web address)
(phone number)**

Illustrate your poster with helping hands, smiling faces, or people saying "Thank You!"

Ask local businesses, doctors and dentists offices and more if they will display your poster in their windows.

Your artwork will attract attention in a very special way!



American Red Cross

The American Red Cross provides help to victims of disasters and helps people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.

www.redcross.org
1-800-HELP-NOW

UNICEF

UNICEF is helping in Haiti by providing children with clean water, food and emergency security services.

www.unicef.org
1-800-FOR-KIDS

CARE

CARE is providing emergency food, shelter and medical aid following the largest earthquake to strike Haiti in 200 years.

www.care.org
1-800-521-2273

Oxfam

After a disaster like the Haiti earthquake, disease can spread quickly without proper sanitation and clean drinking water which Oxfam helps to provide.

www.oxfam.org
1-800-776-9326

Above are just some of the many agencies rushing to assist in Haiti. Look for more in your newspaper or at your newspaper's Web site.

Extra! Extra!

Sense of Kindness

What if you could understand kindness with all of your senses? Look through the newspaper for pictures that show what kindness:

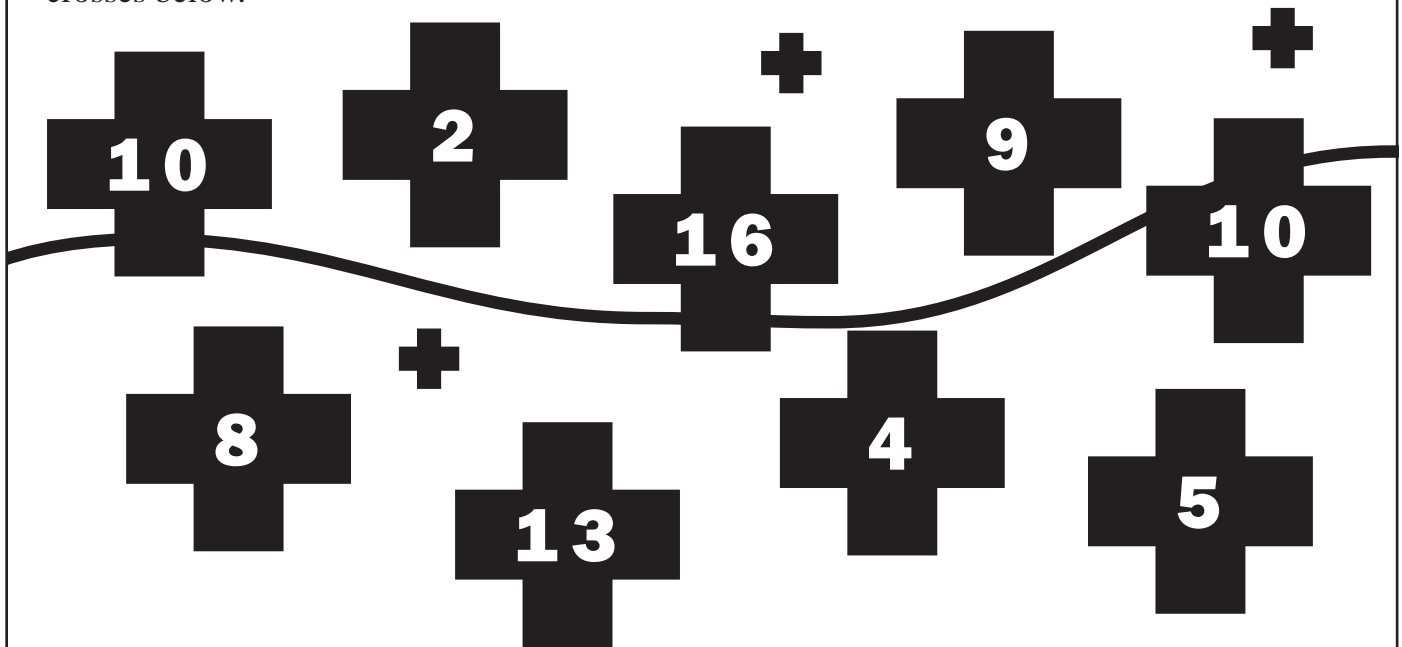
- looks like
- smells like
- sounds like
- tastes like
- feels like

Can you find an example for all five?

First Red Cross Youth Activity

When the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers flooded in 1884, a group of six children put on a play, raised money and sent it to the American Red Cross. The money helped a family that suffered greatly from the flood.

To find out how much money the children raised, add up all of the even numbers on the red crosses below.



Standards Link: Math: Compute sums to 100.

ANSWER: \$50

The Power of the Paper

Newspapers provide more than just news about disasters. They also bring people together to help those suffering from disasters like Haiti's earthquake. Newspapers help people support each other in their own communities.

As you complete this special newspaper page, look around and get to know how your paper delivers news and hope. Newspapers make the world a better place.

Note to teachers and parents: Kid Scoop's Special Haiti Earthquake Edition was designed to give you the vocabulary and background needed to better understand the news articles about this historic disaster.

Kid Scoop Jumbo Word Search

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.
Then see how many of these words you can find in today's newspaper.

EARTHQUAKE

HAITI

CAPITAL

PLATES

DONATE

MONEY

CRUST

FORCES

UNICEF

RESPOND

RED

DISASTER

WATER

CARE



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words.
Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.