

Natural Disaster Relief

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Hurricane Katrina by Ellen Rodger, 2007

j363.34922 R691h

An informative picture book combining easy to read sections on various aspects of Hurricane Katrina, including the science of hurricanes, FEMA and relief, and survival. Photos from New Orleans accompany the text, ending with a section on emergency preparedness. (Grades 2-4)

Natural Disasters: Drought by Louise Park, 2007

j551.5773 P235d

An informational text filled with real photographs of drought stricken lands, readers will learn about the causes of drought, short and long term effects, with a focus on management and prevention of droughts. Simple text and pop out graphics make this book an informative yet engaging read for early elementary students. (Grades 1-2)

Natural Disasters: Earthquakes by Louise Park, 2007

j551.22 P235e

An informational review of some of the world's most devastating earthquakes. Short passages accompany photographs to give the reader a realistic sense of the destruction and aftermath. Included are sections on disaster relief and the science behind earthquakes. (Grades 3-4)

SOS: Stories of Survival. True Tales of Disaster, Tragedy and Courage by Ed Butts, 2007 i363.34 B989s

A collection of survival stories from young people who have experienced disasters. Photographs accompany the survivors stories, conveying the true devastation they experienced while also offering words of inspiration, strength and courage. (Grades 5-8)

The Galveston Hurricane by Kristine Brennan, 2002

j976.4139 B838g

A comprehensive and factual account of The 1900 Galveston Hurricane. In partnership with the Red Cross and Armed Forces Emergency Services, *The Galveston Hurricane* retells the day of the disaster and sheds light on relief efforts, ending with two chapters devoted to rebirth, renewal and improvements to natural disaster technology. (Grades 4-6)

Great Historic Disasters: Hurricane Katrina by Jamie Pietras, 2008

j363.34922 P625h

One of the worst natural disasters in the last decade, Hurricane Katrina left New Orleans devastated. Included in the text is the science of hurricanes, a brief history of New Orleans and information about the hurricane. Much of the text is devoted to the aftermath where limited resources and rescue coordination efforts made it difficult for organizations to provide relief, ending with a chapter on New Orleans's astonishing rebuilding efforts. (Grades 6-8)

Tsunami: Helping each other by Ann Morris and Heidi Larson, 2005

i363.3494 M875t

In partnership with UNICEF, the text tells the harrowing yet brave story of two young brothers, Chaipreak and Chaiya, survivors of a devastating tsunami that wrecked Thailand in 2005. Told from the perspective of young survivors readers will learn about the organizations and actions put into place to help tsunami survivors reclaim their lives and hope. (Grades 5-7)

Disaster Search Dogs by Melissa McDaniel, 2005

j636.70886 M134d

Students interested in this informative text will learn about worldwide historical disasters where search and rescue dogs were called in for support. Students will learn about the special training search dogs undergo as well as which breeds are best for search and rescue efforts. (Grades 3-4)

Earthquake!: On a peaceful spring morning disaster strikes San Francisco by Shelly Tanaka, 2004 i979.461051 T161e

Drawing from historical eyewitness accounts, Tanaka blends fact, survivor accounts and detailed artwork to retell the story of one of America's most devastating natural disasters. Readers will appreciate the deeply personal accounts of survival, struggle and heroics as well as geographical information about San Francisco and scientific information about earthquakes. (Grades 3-5)