

## Assessment

**Chapter 12 Review Blizzard Bag Day  
#3****Chapter: Earthquakes****MATCHING**

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| _____ 1. seismogram              | a. a magnitude scale based on the size of the fault area that moves, how far fault blocks move, and the rigidity of rocks |
| _____ 2. seismograph             | b. a scale that measures earthquake intensity                                                                             |
| _____ 3. Richter scale           | c. a tracing of earthquake motion that is recorded by a seismograph                                                       |
| _____ 4. elastic rebound         | d. the sudden return of elastically deformed rock to its undeformed shape                                                 |
| _____ 5. body wave               | e. the fastest seismic wave; can travel through solids, liquids, and gases                                                |
| _____ 6. moment magnitude        | f. an instrument that records ground vibrations                                                                           |
| _____ 7. surface wave            | g. a seismic wave that travels along the surface of a medium                                                              |
| _____ 8. modified Mercalli scale | h. the second-fastest seismic wave; can only travel through solids                                                        |
| _____ 9. P wave                  | i. a seismic wave that travels through the body of a medium                                                               |
| _____ 10. S wave                 | j. a magnitude scale that measures ground                                                                                 |

**MULTIPLE CHOICE**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Which of the following is NOT a cause of tsunamis?
- a. volcanic eruption
  - b. tornado
  - c. undersea landslide
  - d. undersea earthquake
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. If you are indoors during an earthquake, you should
- a. stand near a window.
  - b. stand on top of a desk.
  - c. crouch under a desk.
  - d. get outdoors fast.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. At what location does the first motion of an earthquake occur?
- a. the focus*
  - b. the seismic gap*
  - c. the mantle*
  - d. the epicenter*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. A foreshock is
- a. a major earthquake.*
  - b. a small earthquake.*
  - c. another name for seismic gap.*
  - d. a precursor to a tsunami.*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. How does the structure of Earth's interior affect seismic waves?
- a. It can increase the power of seismic waves exponentially.*
  - b. It can send seismic waves into shadow zones and seismic gaps.*
  - c. It can affect the speed and direction of seismic waves.*
  - d. It can change seismic waves into dangerous earthquakes.*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. During an earthquake, a building
- a. will never move.*
  - b. may sway or collapse.*
  - c. will never be damaged.*
  - d. will never collapse.*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. How do scientists find the epicenter of an earthquake?
- a. by comparing arrival times of P waves and S waves at several seismograph stations*
  - b. by digging at several locations and comparing data*
  - c. by comparing departure times of P waves and S waves at several seismograph stations*
  - d. by reviewing satellite photos of tsunamis*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. Which of the following are studied to forecast earthquakes?
- a. bird migration, air temperature, movements of the planets*
  - b. barometric pressure, ocean currents, glacial patterns*
  - c. animal behavior, environmental changes, weather patterns*
  - d. seismic gaps, foreshocks, rock changes*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. Why do earthquakes usually occur at plate boundaries?
- a. The rock on the edges of tectonic plates is soft and deforms easily.*
  - b. Rock in environments near tectonic plate boundaries experiences great stress.*
  - c. The boundaries between tectonic plates have been seismically active for millions of years.*
  - d. Rock in environments near tectonic plate boundaries experiences little stress.*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. What is the epicenter of an earthquake?
- a. the location along a fault where the first motion of an earthquake occurs*
  - b. a seismic wave that travels along the surface of Earth*
  - c. the point on Earth's surface directly above the earthquake's focus*
  - d. the last place that motion in an earthquake is detected*