

Download Earthquakes Study Guide Sheet

Easier - An earthquake makes the ground move or shake. These natural events can cause massive damage and destruction. Earthquake Hazard Maps Maps showing how earthquake hazards vary across the United States An earthquake (also known as a quake, tremor or temblor) is the shaking of the surface of the Earth, resulting from the sudden release of energy in the Earth's lithosphere that creates seismic waves. In this lesson, students examine how earthquakes follow the natural plate boundaries and how these boundaries help us predict where earthquakes are most likely to occur.