

A tsunami occurred in Indonesia. Tommy is reading an article on the Internet.

Read carefully and answer the questions.

<http://www.natural-disaster.com>

It was eight o'clock in the morning. There were many tourists enjoying the sun at a beach in Indonesia. Suddenly, the ocean pulled back. The water along the shore was gone. There were many fish flipping and flopping on the muddy ground. Everyone was fascinated. Some children were trying to catch the fish.

But then, we saw a wall of water approaching from the sea. At first, everyone was curious, but they soon realised they had to run away from the beach immediately. And soon, everyone was screaming. "Get up onto the roofs!" a man shouted. Some people climbed onto the roofs of the hotels. All of them were in panic. The water filled up the beach very rapidly.

The second huge wave came, and this one was larger and fiercer. It was taller than twenty feet. It pushed hundreds of the cars and motorbikes towards the village. Everything was pushed into the hotels and shops along the beach. The windows and doors were all damaged. The water was washing away everything in the shops.

Finally, the second wave pulled back. Thousands of people were carried away out to the sea. Only a few of us could survive. And I am one of the lucky ones.

1. Where did the tsunami occur?

- ☐ A. In Thailand. ☐ B. In Japan.
☐ C. In Indonesia. ☐ D. In China.



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2. When did the tsunami take place?

- ☐ A. In the morning. ☐ B. In the afternoon.
☐ C. In the evening. ☐ D. At night.

3. Read line 6. What does 'realised' mean?

realise (v.)

1. To suddenly begin to understand something.

I only realised how naughty I was when my teacher became angry.

2. To achieve something you want to do.

Sally realised her dream of becoming an actress two years ago.

3. Sell property to get some money.

We realised some money on the sale of our flat.

4. Things that someone is afraid will happen, do happen.

Her worst fears were realised when she heard her husband was dead.

- ☐ A. 1 ☐ B. 2 ☐ C. 3 ☐ D. 4

4. Which of the following is NOT true about the tsunami?

- ☐ A. Hundreds of vehicles were destroyed.
☐ B. The second wave was ten feet tall.
☐ C. Many people were drowned.
☐ D. The village was flooded.

5. Who wrote the article of the tsunami?

- ☐ A. A news reporter.
☐ B. A photographer.
☐ C. A volunteer who helped in the tsunami.
☐ D. A survivor of the tsunami.



Give short answers to the following questions.

6. How many people were drowned in the tsunami?

7. What is the best title of this article?



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