

Name **Answer Key**

Earthquakes

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Day 1

Correct these sentences.

1. A million times a year the ground shakes and sways.
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2. Most earthquakes are too small to be noticed by people.
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Coordinating Conjunctions

Circle the **coordinating conjunctions** with dotted lines. **Highlight** and label what is being connected. *Sentences, verbs, adverbs, prepositional phrases, nouns, or adjectives.*

3. The earth beneath our feet usually feels **solid and firm**. **adjectives**
4. The Mexico City earthquake destroyed **homes, stores, schools, and businesses**. **nouns**
5. Aftershocks can follow an earthquake **for days or for weeks**. **Prepositional phrases**

Day 2

Subjects and predicates. Underline the simple subject(s) once and the simple predicate(s) twice. Then also highlight the modal auxiliaries.

1. For years, friction will hold the rocks in place.
2. The shock may last for several minutes.

Correct these sentences.

3. On the morning of September 19, 1985, a major earthquake struck Mexico City.
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4. Four out of five of the world's earthquakes take place along the Pacific Ring of Fire.
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Progressive Verbs Change the underlined verb(s) to progressive tense.

5. Only sensitive scientific instruments record their passage. **are recording** (present)
6. In 1995, freeways toppled onto their sides and roadways cracked. **were toppling; were cracking** (past)

Day 3

Correct these sentences

1. Most earthquakes take place in Earth's crust.

2. Cracks in the rocks, called faults, run through the crust.

Coordinating Conjunctions

Circle the coordinating conjunctions with dotted lines. Highlight and label what is being connected. Sentences, verbs, adverbs, prepositional phrases, nouns, or adjectives.

3. As the plates move, they **run** into **or** **pull** away from each other. **verbs**
4. **The colliding plates cause most of the earthquakes along the West Coast,** **but** **earthquakes can occur anywhere there are stresses in underlying rocks.** **sentences**

Relative Adverbs: Highlight the relative adverb

5. It was 1906 **when** San Francisco was destroyed.
6. The fault runs along an area **where** 20 million people live.



Day 4

Relative Adverbs. Highlight the relative adverb(s).

1. That is the place **where** the most damage occurred.

Subjects and predicates. Underline the simple subject(s) once and the simple predicate(s) twice, and highlight the modal auxiliaries (helping verbs).

2. If you visit Crater Lake, you will notice two islands: Wizard Island and Phantom Ship.
3. The lake and surrounding area have been protected and preserved since 1902.

Correct these sentences.

4. Tourists can enjoy camping, fishing, and hiking, during the warm months.

5. Nestled high in the Cascade Mountains of Oregon, Crater Lake is very deep.

Progressive Verbs Change the underlined verb(s) to progressive tense.

6. The lava was creating a basin.
7. The volcano will be spewing molten lava.