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http://earthquake.usgs.gov/regional/neic/

Report on the location (including visual aids) of each of the top 5 magnitude earthquakes of 2012.

Report on the location (including visual aids) of each of the top 5 deadliest earthquakes of 2012.

http://earthquake.usgs.gov/learn/kids/eqscience.php

Define “P” waves.

Define “S” waves.

Explain how scientists can determine how far away the epicenter of an earthquake was from the monitoring station.

Explain how scientists determine the location of the epicenter of an earthquake.

http://earthquake.usgs.gov/learn/topics/how_much_bigger.php

Explain why “stronger “ is a more important word in determining earthquake dangers than “bigger”.

How much bigger is an earthquake of magnitude 9 than one of magnitude 7? How much stronger?

How much bigger is an earthquake of magnitude 9 than one of magnitude 5? How much stronger?

How much bigger is an earthquake of magnitude 9 than one of magnitude 3? How much stronger?

http://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/states/historical.php

Briefly describe the destruction caused by the San Francisco Earthquake of 1906.