

Grammar Homework 06.11.2020

Please complete the page below all about paragraphs in non-fiction texts. You can write your answers into your homework book.

Wild and Windy Weather

Location, Location, Location

The only difference between hurricanes, cyclones and typhoons, is where they occur. Massive storms are called hurricanes in the Atlantic and Northeast Pacific, typhoons in the Northwest Pacific, and cyclones in the South Pacific and Indian Ocean.

Tornado Versus Hurricane

Tornadoes and hurricanes appear to be very similar. Both materialise as a violent, rotating column of air that can leave chaos and devastation in its wake (see the table to compare statistics).

	Tornado	Hurricane
Formed	over land	over oceans
Size	< 1 mile wide	> 100 miles wide
Life span	< 1 hour	> 1 week
Wind speeds	300 mph max	200 mph max

Tornado Alley

Tornado Alley is in the southern plains of the United States. This includes Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska and South Dakota. In these areas, during the spring, a cold air mass collides with a warm air mass, which is responsible for creating up to 500 tornadoes per year.

Safety Tips

Areas prone to adverse weather conditions often have a storm warning system in place. Upon hearing the siren, follow the advice below:

- Stay away from low-lying, flood prone areas.
- Stay indoors and board up windows.
- Ensure you have adequate tinned food, bottled water and medical supplies.
- Keep a battery-operated torch and radio to hand.

1. Mark the sub-heading that could be used as an alternative for paragraph two with an 'x'.

The Difference Between Tornadoes and Whirlpools

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What is the Difference Between a Tornado and a Hurricane?

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2. Mark an 'x' in the box to indicate the correct function of the bullet points.

Summarises what the paragraph is about

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Breaks paragraph into easy to read sections

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States what the text is about

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3. True or false? The following sentence could be added to the paragraph under the sub-heading 'Safety Tips'.

If you reside in a mobile home, get out fast and seek shelter elsewhere.
