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Vocabulary • Dictionary

- You can use a **dictionary** to find the meaning of unfamiliar words.
- The words in a **dictionary** are listed in **alphabetical order**.

Directions Read the sentences below. One word is underlined. Use the sample dictionary page to write the definition of the underlined word on the line.

earthquake • volcano

earthquake *n.* a movement of the plates that make up Earth's crust

erupt *v.* to explode outward

lava *n.* melted rock that flows from a volcano

predict *v.* to make a statement about what will happen later

trembles *v.* shakes

volcano *n.* a mountain that erupts, shooting lava, rocks, and hot ash onto Earth's surface

1. Scientists knew that the volcano was about to erupt.

2. The volcano shot hot ash high into the air.

3. Scientists can predict when an earthquake will occur.

4. The earthquake damaged a lot of buildings in the city.

5. During an earthquake, the surface of the earth above it trembles.

6. Some volcanoes send streams of lava flowing over the ground.



Home Activity Your child identified and used vocabulary words from *Volcanoes*. Read a story or nonfiction book about earthquakes or volcanoes. Encourage your child to use a dictionary to find the meaning of unfamiliar words.