

## Hurricanes: Test Your Knowledge

Hurricanes are low-pressure system over tropical or sub-tropical waters with definite cyclonic surface wind circulation. This situation can create terrible consequences for individuals in such regions. Test your knowledge of hurricanes with these questions. Use another sheet of paper to respond to the free response questions and remember to provide support for your answers.

### Multiple Choice

Please circle the correct answer.

**1. What is another name for hurricanes?**

- a. Tsunamis
- b. Typhoons
- c. Tornados
- d. Floods

**2. How fast must winds of a tropical cyclone be to be considered a hurricane?**

- a. 50 mph
- b. 74 mph
- c. 100 mph
- d. 124 mph

**3. The most destructive hurricane before Katrina was:**

- a. Rita
- b. Hurricane Allison
- c. Hurricane Mitch
- d. Galveston Hurricane

### Short Answer

Please write the answers on a separate sheet of paper.

**4. Explain the difference between a hurricane *watch* and hurricane *warning*.**

**5. Explain how you can get information about the current status of the disaster during a hurricane?**

**6. What was Project Stormfury and how did it attempt to accomplish its goals? Did it work?**

### Abstract & Logic

Please note that abstract and logic questions do not have any right or wrong answer. These questions are best suited towards class discussions.

**7. Who do you think was responsible for the initial lack of appropriate response to Hurricane Katrina? Defend your answer.**

**8. Is it appropriate for the national government to use the military to maintain civilian order during a hurricane? Pay special attention to civil liberties concerns.**