

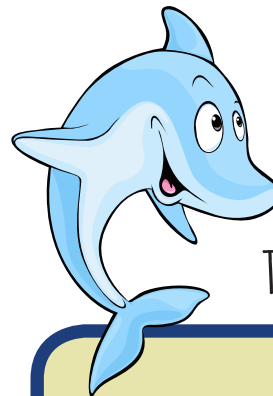
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What is a hurricane?

A hurricane is a huge storm!

It can be up to **600** miles across and have strong winds at speeds of **75** to **200** mph. Each hurricane usually lasts for over a week, moving **10–20** miles per hour over the open ocean. Hurricanes gather heat and energy through contact with warm ocean waters. Hurricanes rotate in a counter-clockwise direction around an “eye.” The center of the storm or “eye” is the calmest part. It has only light winds and fair weather. When they come on to land, the heavy rain, strong winds and large waves can damage buildings, trees and cars.

Hurricane word search

V A S J Z U W S C G S P
 C A L M B I I G A T A P
 P L I S T E N K I G F R
 P A W M P Y D M R M E D
 S T O R M P I P O X T I
 S I M A W Y X K H E Y E
 S U I I P W A V E S B P
 W R L N H F W H S S A J

How many of these words can you find?

CALM
 WIND
 AIR
 SAFETY
 EYE
 STORM
 RAIN
 WAVES
 LISTEN

When does hurricane season start?

The Atlantic hurricane season is from June **1** to November **30**, but most hurricanes occur during the fall months. Write in the missing hurricane season months!

January	February	March
April	May	
		December



Who names a hurricane?

The World Meteorological Organization names hurricanes. Only women’s names were used until **1979**, when men’s names were added, too. If a hurricane does significant damage, its name is retired and replaced with another. Here are some past hurricane names:

Authur * Ana * Bertha * Bill * Cindy * Chris * Dolly * Danny * Earl * Emily * Floyd * Fay * Grace * Gordon * Hanna * Henri * Iris * Isaac * Joyce * Jerry * Kate * Karl * Leslie * Lisa * Mindy * Michael * Nicole * Nicholas * Omar * Oscar * Paula * Peter * Rene * Rose * Rafael * Sally * Sam * Teddy * Teresa * Vicky * Victor * Wilfred * Wanda * Walter *

How do I stay safe during a hurricane?

Be prepared and stay safe with a **HURRICANE SURVIVAL KIT**. It's fun and easy to make your own kit using a spare pillowcase. Decorate your pillowcase and then put in the following:

As you add these items to your kit, check them off this list.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Portable Radio | <input type="checkbox"/> Blanket |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight | <input type="checkbox"/> Toy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Paper and Pen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush | <input type="checkbox"/> Pictures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste | <input type="checkbox"/> A Special Item |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soap | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-aid Kit | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Clothes | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water | |



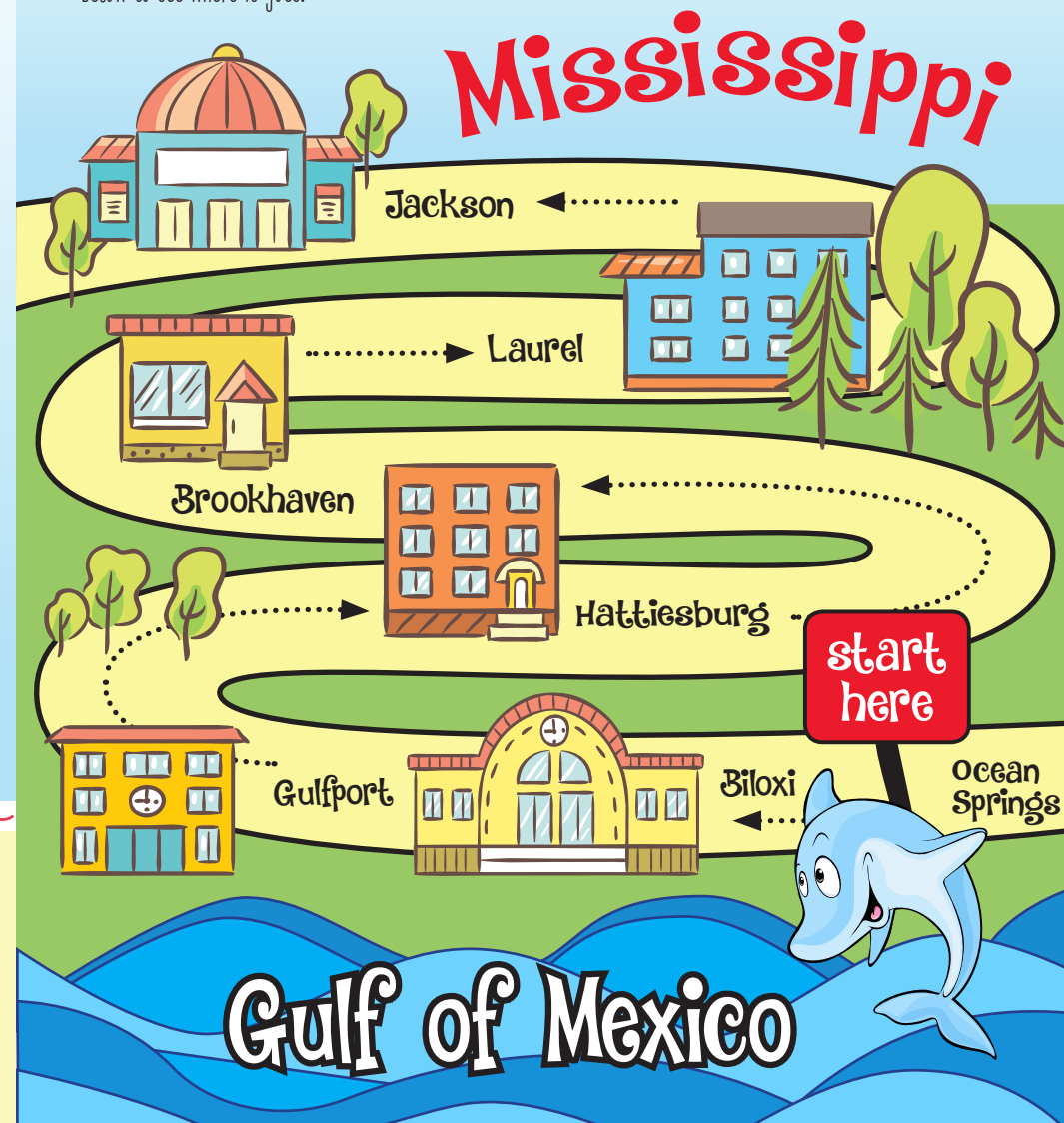
Don't forget to pack a kit for your pets, too. Include food, water, any medications and a toy!



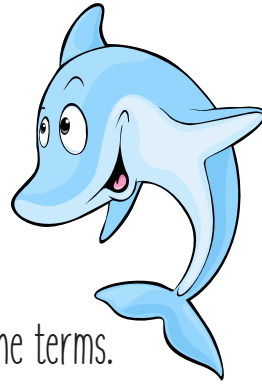
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Sometimes it's ok to stay home during a hurricane, but sometimes you need to go somewhere safer.

There are fast and easy ways for people on the Gulf Coast to get to safer places during a storm. These are called **HURRICANE EVACUATION ROUTES**. People go to cities such as Hattiesburg, Laurel, Jackson and even further north. Some people also stay in shelters, which can be safer during storms. Follow the route below to see where it goes:



Hurricane word scramble



Unscramble these words to discover common hurricane terms.

1. enaco

2. aewsv

3. uaihrrecsn

4. apnl

5. erelths

6. eetacvau

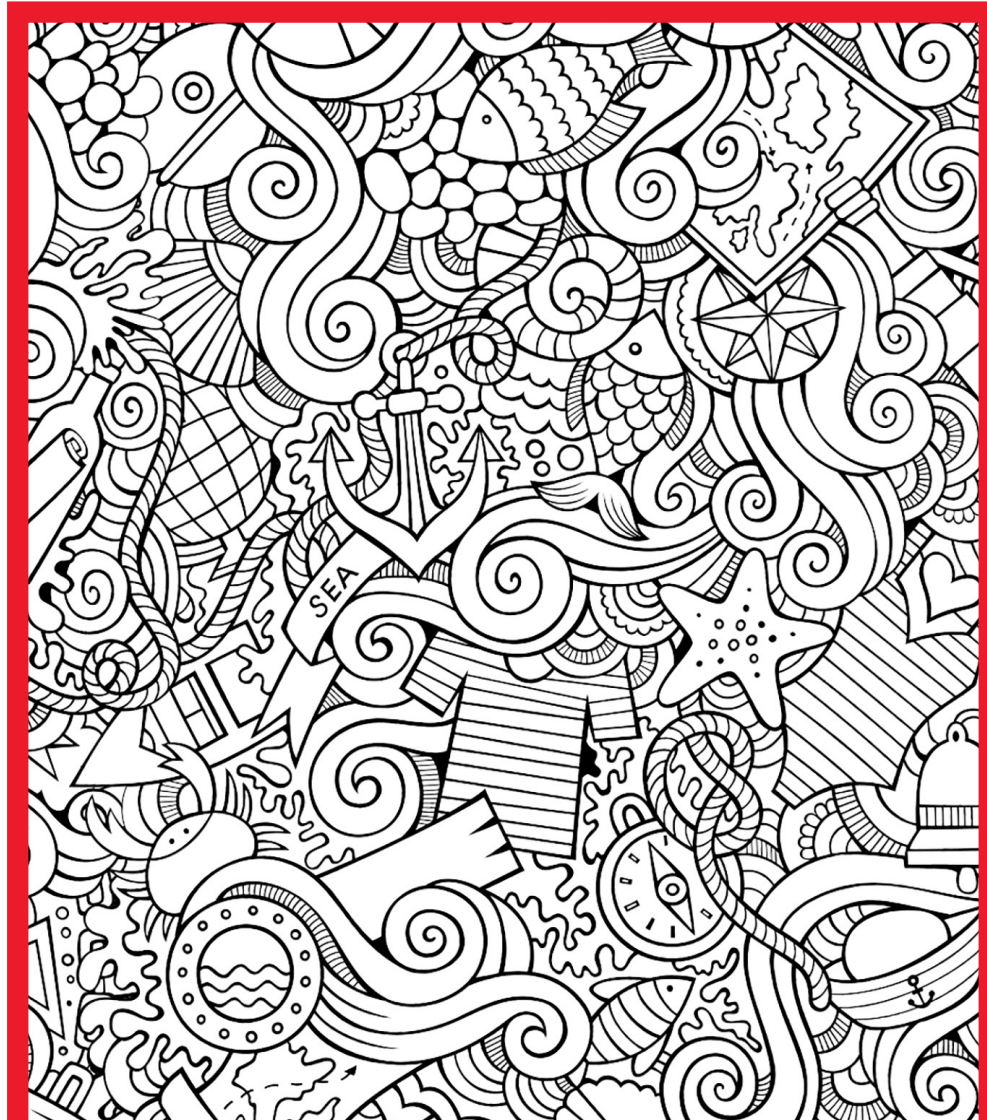
7. tuoer

8. rraeppe

9. retaw

Seaside coloring page

Unleash your creativity by coloring in these fish, shells, crabs and more!



1. ocean 2. waves 3. hurricanes 4. plan 5. shelter 6. evacuate 7. route 8. prepare 9. water