

Hurricane Floyd

After reading an article at cnn.com I have decided the topic is good enough to tell you something about hurricanes and how to prepare for them.

The whole story started on Monday, September 13th at around 5 am. The Hurricane's name was Floyd. It raced towards the Bahamas so people put a hurricane watch on the shore so they wouldn't be surprised when it came. It was going towards the Bahamas at nearly 155mph (248km/h). Some meteorologist said that it is so powerful it can rip off roofs, damage doors and windows. It was the matter of time and the wind whether the hurricane will come to the Bahamas. At the end Floyd came to the Bahamas and ripped off roofs and tore out trees on the Island. The scientists said it was a category 4 storm, so it wasn't the fastest and the most dangerous. But it wasn't so little, too. There is only one category faster and more dangerous and that is Category 5 storm. People couldn't do a thing to save their life. They just watched and waited for a big "surprise". It's very difficult if you can't do a thing to prevent a disaster. It went towards Florida and the Emergency Management warned people to get **prepared** for Floyd. Emergency Management on Florida even evacuated 2 million people from critical zones. It was the biggest civilian evacuation in American history. Floyd was three times stronger than hurricane Andrew in 1992, when 40 people died. Hurricane Floyd may be gone, but residents up and down the East Coast won't forget this for a long time.

It wasn't the most powerful hurricane but the people were afraid anyway. This could be considered as a warning to stop destroying our planet. Many people think this was the preparation for THE END OF THE WORLD.

Now I am going to tell you something about storm categories. There are 5 categories. (*Paper II*)

After that: Some of you would probably know how to protect yourself against hurricanes. For those who doesn't know, I am going to read some tips. (*Paper III*)

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PASS	To go past somebody without stopping	Iti mimo nekoga
FORECASTERS	A man who tells you what the weather is going to be like	Napovedovalec vremena
SKIRTING	If you skirt sth, you go around the edge of it	Obiti
CERTAIN	If you're certain about sth, you firmly believe that it is true and have no doubts about it	Zanesljivo
RESIDENTS	The people who live in a particular place	Prebivalec
HEEDING	Paying attention	Biti pozoren
STOCKING	Supplying, accumulating	Zalagati, kopičiti zaloge
PLYWOOD	A material made of thin layers of wood glued together	Vezana plošča
DESIGNATE	To point out or identify	Določiti, imenovati
RIP	To pull off by breaking or tearing	Odrgati
DEVASTATE	To leave in ruins	Opustošiti
SWATHS	Strips	Vrste, črte
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