

I Survived the Japanese Tsunami

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1. What did Harry do when he climbed a cherry tree?
He made a wish.
2. How did Ben's family survive the tsunami?
They waited on top of a parking garage.
3. What did Ben do when he escaped from the car?
He climbed on the floating coach.
4. Why did Ben think his mom would be safe during the earthquake?
She had been trained by the military.
5. Why couldn't Ben open the door of the car?
The water pressure was too strong making it difficult to get the door open. He had to kick the window out of its frame.
6. What did Ben have a dream about the night before the tsunami?
He dreamt about playing basketball.
7. When Ben was in the gym, what did the girl next to him do?
She gave him a bottle of water.
8. Why did Ben need to get off the mattress he was floating on?
He needed to get off the mattress because it was floating toward the ocean. He was able to jump to a tree before he reached the ocean.
9. Where was his uncle's cat Nya?
Ben found the cat floating on a mattress.
10. Where did Ben's family go after his father died?
Ben was surprised that his family took the trip to Shogahama.
11. What was Ben doing when the earthquake hit?
Ben was talking to his brother.
12. Why did Harry need to get stitches?
He fell out of a tree.

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13. When the water went back out to sea, what did Ben find in the wreckage?

Ben found a can of fruit juice which he drank.

14. What happened to Ben's family members in the tsunami?

Their car tipped over to the side and Ben's family members were washed away.

15. What did Ben think the tsunami was when he first saw it?

He thought it was a ship that caught on fire.

16. What did Ben do when the teachers went to check on their families?

Ben took care of three younger boys.