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## Vocabulary Lesson Plan (C)

Grades: 8→12

**Title:** “Offshore Geohazard Vocabulary”

**Preview of Main Idea:** Students will be given a list of key terms relating to the subject of Offshore Geohazards. Independent study of the terms will reinforce their understanding of geologic concepts and processes. They will demonstrate their understanding of the terms through a sentence writing exercise.

**Connection with Curriculum:** Earth Science, Vocabulary

**Teaching Level:** Grades 8-12

**Standards Taught:** Grammar and Usage, Plate Tectonics, Characteristics of Earth Systems

**Materials:** “Offshore Geohazard” Video Segment from *UnitedStreaming.com* (optional), Vocabulary List of terms, Crossword Puzzle, Science Textbook (if available)

**Objectives:** Students will be able to expand their scientific vocabulary with a key list of Offshore Geohazard terms and practice integrating new terms into their word usage.

**Opening the Lesson:** It is strongly advised that the lesson is preceded by an educational video clip, or lecture on the background of Offshore Geohazards such as Tsunami’s.

**Developing the Lesson:**

- The list of vocabulary terms should be displayed on an overhead transparency or on the black board.
- Students can be asked if they know the definitions of any of the terms. This should be followed by displaying the definitions and providing 10-15 minutes for the students to transcribe the terms and definitions.
- Students should then use each word in a sentence. (this can be done as an *in-class activity* or a *homework assignment*)

**Concluding the Lesson:** Students can be tested independently on the list of terms approximately 5 days after the initial lesson is taught. This will test comprehension and retention of the terms. Students can also complete the crossword puzzle activity as extra practice or in small groups in competition for prizes.