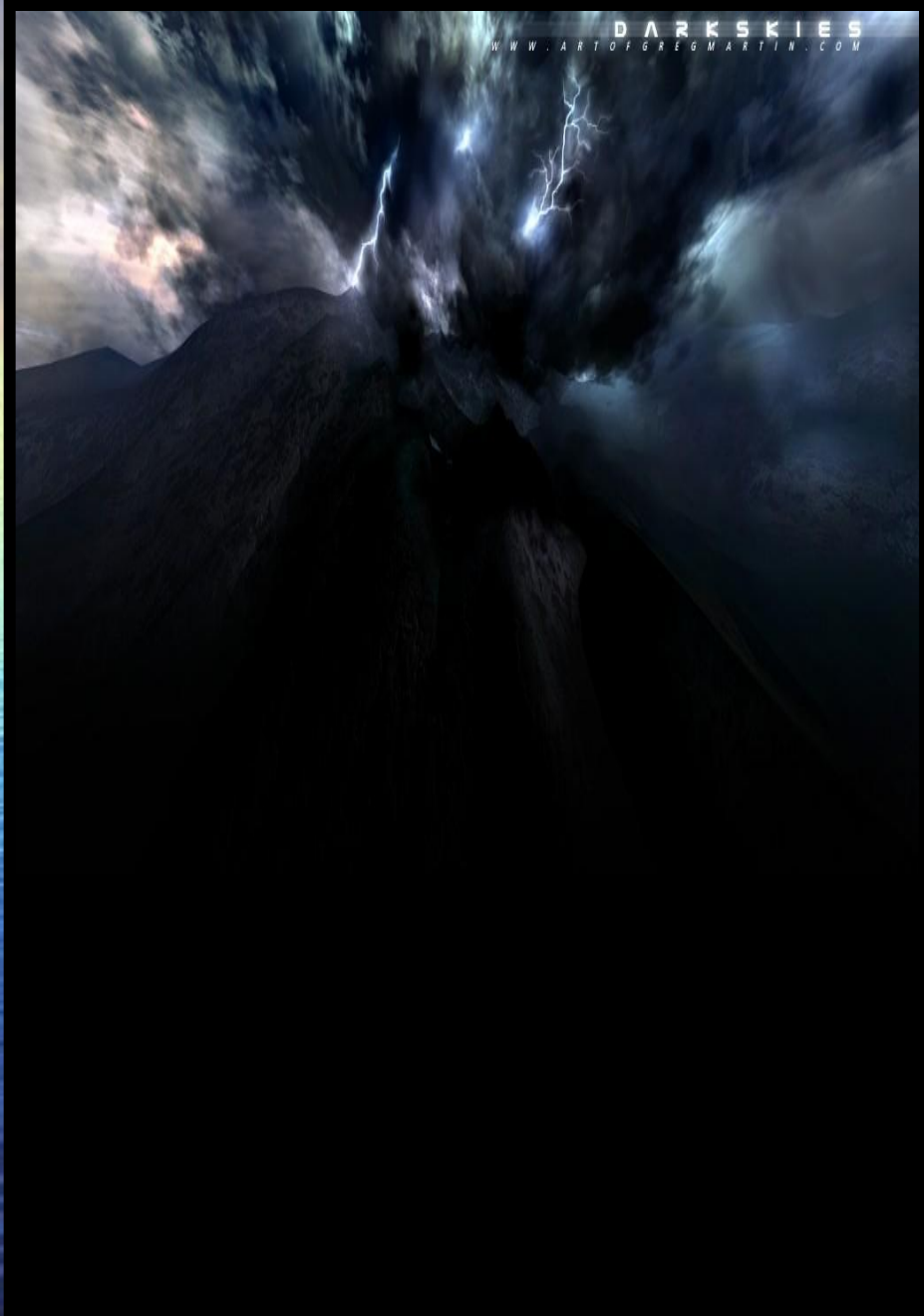


# NATURAL DISASTERS.





- A LOT OF DIFFERENT WEATHER DISASTERS HAPPEN ON THE EARTH EVERY YEAR . ALL OF THEM CAN BE VERY DANGEROUS FOR PEOPLE . THE GREATEST NATURAL DISASTERS CAUSE A LOT OF DAMAGE , INJURE AND KILL PEOPLE .

# FLOOD.

- A FLOOD IS A LARGE AMOUNT OF WATER WHICH COVERS A PLACE THAT IS USUALLY DRY LAND . A VERY AWFUL FLOOD HAPPENED IN CHINA IN 1998, NEARLY 4000 PEOPLE WERE KILLED . THE FLOOD DESTROYED HOUSES AND LEFT MILLIONS OF PEOPLE HOMELESS, A LOT OF FARMLAND WAS DAMAGED.



# EARTHQUAKE .



- AN EARTHQUAKE IS A SUDDEN SHAKING OF THE GROUND . A TERRIBLE EARTHQUAKE WAS IN CHINA IN 1556 , IT KILLED 830000 PEOPLE . IN 1923 , IN JAPAN , 142000 PEOPLE DIED.

# HURRICANE .

- A HURRICANE IS VERY VIOLENT WIND OR STORM , IT OFTEN BRINGS HEAVY RAINS.

# TORNADO .

- A TORNADO IS A VERY VIOLENT WIND IN THE FORM OF A FUNNEL OF AIR THAT SPINS AT GREAT SPEED .
- TORNADOES ARE THE MOST VIOLENT OF ALL STORMS , THEY CAN REACH SPEEDS OF UP TO 320 KILOMETERS AN HOUR .



# VOLCANO .



- A VOLCANO IS A MOUNTAIN WITH A HOLE CALLED A CRATER IN THE TOP.
- SOMETIMES LAVA AND GASES ARE THROWN FROM THE CRATER .

# DROUGHT .

- A DROUGHT IS A LONG PERIOD OF DRY WEATHER WHEN THERE IS NOT ENOUGH WATER .

