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# Violent Earth



## Synopsis

A spectacular reference book for the entire family, *Violent Earth* is an authoritative, stimulating, and visually arresting exploration of the dramatic forces that are constantly shaping our planet — often without warning and with devastating results. Using powerful photography, specially commissioned illustrations, and intuitive infographics, *Violent Earth* explores plate tectonics, volcanology, and seismology in unprecedented detail. Drawing on the latest scientific research and including detailed maps, revealing areas of key geological activity, such as earthquake zones, volcanic sites, and plate boundaries, *Violent Earth* also looks at some of the most famous events associated with these places, from the historic eruptions of Laki, Iceland, which is credited with triggering the French Revolution, to the devastating earthquake in Haiti that killed more than 250,000 people in 2010.

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A "Good Morning America" Favorite Coffee Table Book of 2011!

DK publishing, you are simply amazing!!!! love this book very very much. I highly recommend this book to anyone who wants to understand the dynamic and destructive forces of our planet. I was mostly amazed by the photography in this book. From Volcanoes to Earthquakes, to Hurricanes, Tornadoes, Extreme Weather and Tsunamis, this book provides a holistic look of the geologic and

dynamic processes behind these natural phenomenon's. I bless DK for all of their research and their professionalism as well as their commitment to tell the story of our planet's forces in a way that has never been done before or since in their years as a book company that strives for education and learning. DK, continue with your work and I praise you all for the best work that you have done. Thank you. Sincerely, Curtis Spratte-Lennington.

I love this book and it arrived in perfect condition.

I bought this book for my 4 year old daughter who is in love with volcanoes. I have to say what a purchase. The pictures are amazing, it comes with lots of information about not only volcanoes but other exciting earth events. This book is captivating for my 4 year old as well as for myself. I find the information interesting and engaging. Great book!

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This is a fun book to read at random. There are a lot of things in this book that the average person wouldn't really know. It teaches a lot of nature's power and the understanding of how.

Great Christmas gift for 8 & 11 year old grandchildren .

The book is very heavy and well worth the money paid for it. It is a gift for my grandson who will be using it as a textbook.

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