



Preparing for disasters:

Typhoon and Cyclones

A road to resilience in Southeast Asia



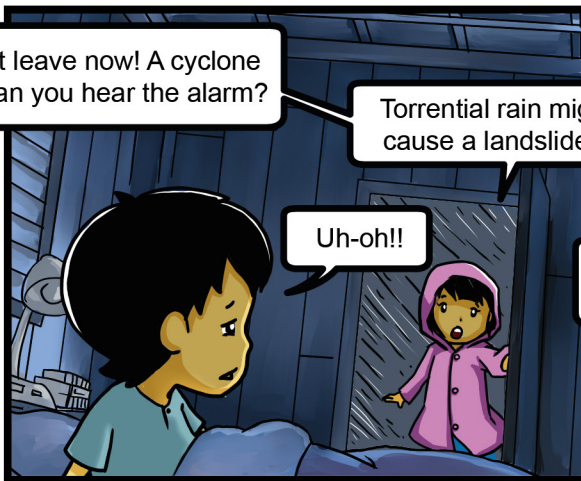
Inside a small wooden hut, at the foot of Mud Mountain...



...Ton is peacefully dreaming, when suddenly an alarm wakes him



Ton, you must leave now! A cyclone is coming!! Can you hear the alarm?



Torrential rain might cause a landslide!!!

Uh-oh!!



And strong winds could destroy this hut!

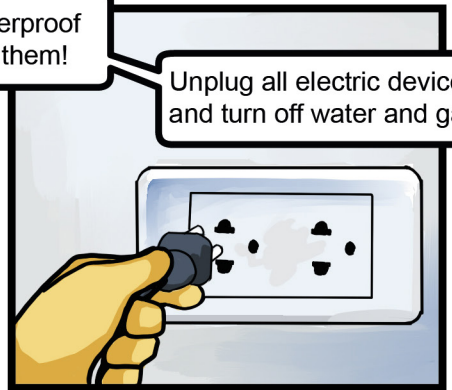
You should leave now before the cyclone comes!



Pack emergency supplies in a bag, like water and food



If you have waterproof clothes, wear them!



Unplug all electric devices and turn off water and gas.



Come straight to my house Ton, it will be safer there

Thanks Fah.



Stay alert Ton. Listen for unusual sounds.

Like trees cracking?



Yes, or rocks knocking each other.

Let's get away from here right away.



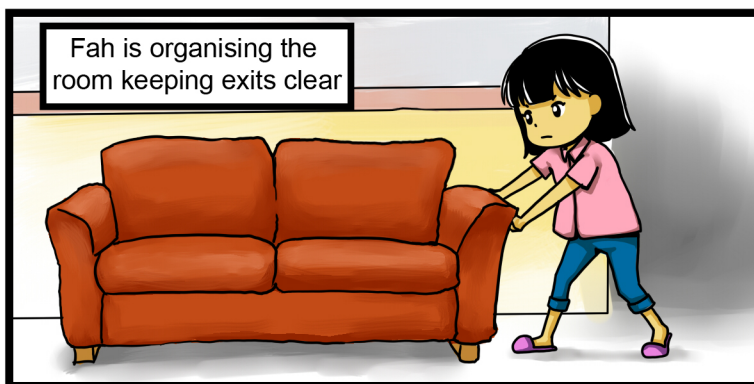
They travel back to Fah's house on their bicycles



Fah and Ton are covering the windows and putting sandbags on the roof



Fah brings any small items that could become flying objects, and her cat, indoors.



Fah is organising the room keeping exits clear



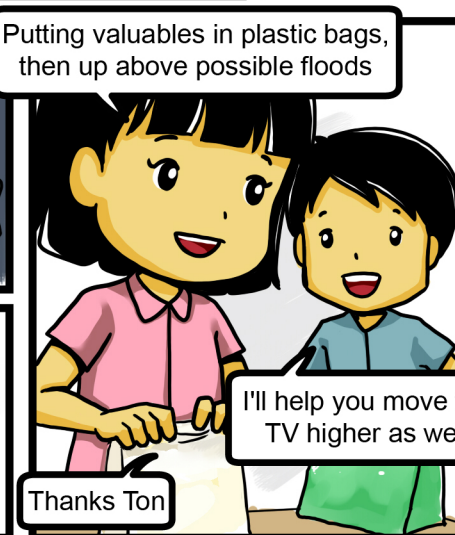
These boards will stop anything going through the window



Quickly, let's go inside before the cyclone starts.

Thank you Fah! You're my hero!

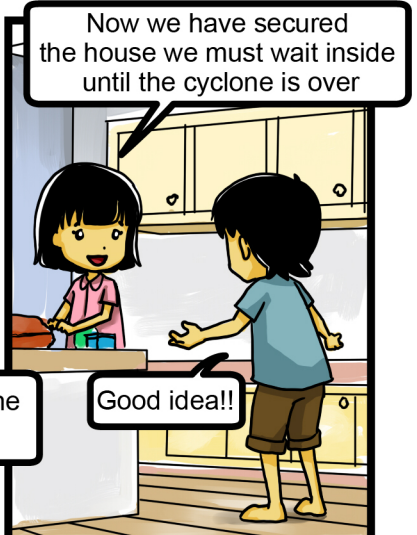
What are you doing?



Putting valuables in plastic bags, then up above possible floods

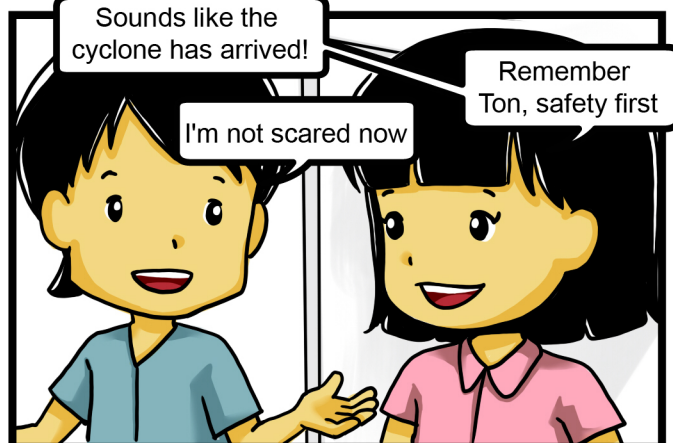
I'll help you move the TV higher as well

Thanks Ton



Now we have secured the house we must wait inside until the cyclone is over

Good idea!!



Sounds like the cyclone has arrived!

Remember Ton, safety first

I'm not scared now

Below is a list of things to remember if there is a typhoon. Study it well, these tips could make all the difference for you and your family!

- Make sure everyone in your household knows where and how to evacuate to
- Take part in risk mapping and cyclone preparedness planning where you live
- Keep important documents and valuables in a waterproof bag, and store above potential flood water
- Inspect your roof at the beginning of the cyclone season and make repairs. For lightweight roofs, secure sandbags on top
- If you think you are in danger, evacuate immediately away from the cyclone's direction of movement
- Turn off electricity, gas supply and water and disconnect any electrical appliances
- Check that your evacuation supplies and your 'go bags' are ready, including water and food.
- Charge mobile phone batteries
- You need to evacuate if you live on the coast, on a flood plain, near a river, or in a temporary or lightweight structure
- Do not evacuate during the cyclone



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