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I Survived - The Japanese Tsunami, 2011

Book Activities:

For each chapter, draw what you see happening in your mind. Then use your pictures to write a 1-2 sentence summary for each chapter.

Chapter	Visual Pictures	Chapter Summary
1		
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Chapter	Visual Pictures	Main Idea
5		_____ _____ _____
6		_____ _____ _____ _____
7		_____ _____ _____ _____
8		_____ _____ _____ _____

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Figurative Language - Identify the type of figurative language.

Choices: simile, metaphor, personification, idiom, hyperbole (all of them may not be used)

1. In quiet fishing towns, boats tumbled like dice into the streets, smashing into shops and homes. (pg.2) _____
2. The wave grabbed Ben and sucked him under. (pg.3) _____
3. The cat had to be a hundred years old, her black fur rubbed away in places. (pg. 7) _____
4. But above all the other sounds was a thundering roar, like the earth itself was screaming with fury. (pg.22) _____
5. It (wave) was devouring everything in its path. (pg.39) _____
6. The engine whined, and the car zoomed forward. (pg.39) _____
7. Ben lifted Nya, and put her around the back of his neck, like a scarf. (pg.54) _____
8. His feet were bricks of ice. (pg.65) _____
9. It didn't matter if the team was winning or losing, or if Ben was on fire or all thumbs. (pg.70) _____

Identify which sentence is the cause (C) and which one is the effect (E):

_____ The quake and wave had damaged a nuclear power station in a place called Fukushima.

_____ Radioactive particles were leaking out of the power plant.

_____ Ben and Harry hide under the bed.

_____ An earthquake starts shaking the house.

_____ Ben is trapped under the wave inside his car.

_____ Ben kicks at the window of the passenger door.

_____ The car tipped all the way to the side, almost all the way over.

_____ Mom, Harry, and Nya tumbled out.

Context Clues: Find the words on the following pages. Use the context clues to figure out the part of speech and then write a synonym or definition for the word.

Page	Word	Part of Speech	Synonym/Definition
1-2	monstrous		
3	ferocious		
14	admired		
19	slinking		
24	churned		
32	peering		
39	devouring		
41	thrashing		
60	glimpsed		
65	shivering		
70	wavered		

Character Traits: Think about how you would describe each of the main characters in the story. Then give evidence from the story to support your answers.

Character	Character Trait	Evidence From The Story <i>(Things the character says, actions he/she does, or things he/she thinks)</i>
Ben	Example: determined	Pg.56 - "Ben gritted his teeth, and forced his icy fingers to cling to a tree."
Harry		
Uncle		
Mom		
Dad		
Dr. Sato		
Nya		