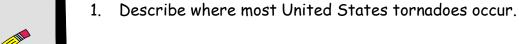
Before doing anything else, add the NOAA Research "Tornadoes" site to Bookmarks or Favorites on your web browser.

II. Get Info

A. Occurrence

- Click on the "Preparedness Guide" site.
- Read the information and answer the following questions.



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- 2. What time of year do most tornadoes form in the United States?

 Describe the most violent tornado in terms of wind speed and size of the damage path.



B. Variations

- Scroll down the page to the "Tornado Variations" section.

1. Are tornadoes always easy to see?

2. What happens to make them visible?

3. What is a tornado over water called?

- Scroll down the page to the "Tornadoes Take Many Shapes and Sizes" section.

4. Which tornadoes occur most often: weak, strong, or violent?

5. Most tornado deaths are caused by violent tornadoes. Violent tornadoes represent what percent of all tornadoes?









C. Awareness and Safety

- Scroll down the page to the "Frequency of Tornadoes" section.
- 1. What time of day are tornadoes most likely to occur?
- Click on "Months of Peak Tornado Occurrence."
- 2. During which months are tornadoes most likely to occur in your state?
- Click "Back" and scroll to the section "What to Listen For."
- 3. Watches
 - a. What is a tornado watch?
 - b. What should you do when a watch is issued for your area?
- 4. Warnings
 - a. What is a tornado warning?

	- Scroll down to "Environmental Clues."
•	5. What are the signs that a tornado might form?
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	- Scroll down to "Tornado Safety."
	6. How do you prepare before the storm?
	7. How do you keep yourself informed when there is bad weather?

8. If a warning is issued for your county you need to take shelter.
Where would you go if you were:
a. at school?
b. at home?
c. in a car?
- Close the "TornadoesNature's Most Violent Storms" web site.
- Click "Back" to return to the Tornadoes main page, or choose "Tornadoes" from your Favorites or Bookmarks.
- Click "Gather Data."