Inquiry Process: Natural Disasters

## Your Task

Over the next few weeks you will be preparing to film a newscast about a natural disaster of your choice. The groups will be composed of four members. You will choose which of the following natural disasters you wish to cover:

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| Blizzard | Hurricane |
| Earthquake | Tornado |

The newscast will take place in Montreal. Thus, you must be aware of how the disaster you choose would affect not only the Montreal area, but also what global effects it may have.

Each group will choose which role they wish to play in the newscast. The four roles that are expected in your newscast are:

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| Anchorperson | Field Worker |
| Eyewitness | Meteorologist |

Each group member will be responsible for researching one Little Question pertaining to his or her chosen role. IS-21 will be used to conduct individual research.

## Considerations

Important elements to address in your newscast:

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| * The name of your TV Station. | * The target audience is clear. |
| * Your character’s name and role (or an introduction by another teammate)*.* | * The effects of your natural disaster   + Local;   + Global*.* |

Before presenting, be sure to do the following:

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| * Create a written draft of what you want to say. | * Use clear language that is appropriate for a newscast. |
| * Practice your presentation beforehand*.* | * Time your practice run(s). |
| * Use clear language that is appropriate for your target audience. | Refer to the checklist in  IS-21’s Produce step. |