2010 Haiti Earthquake

The 2010 Haiti earthquake was a catastrophic magnitude 7.0 M earthquake. Its epicenter was near the town of Léogâne, approximately 25 km (16 miles) west of Port-au-Prince, Haiti's capital. The earthquake occurred at 16:53 local time (21:53 UTC) on Tuesday, 12 January 2010. By 24 January, at least 52 aftershocks measuring 4.5 or greater had been recorded. As of Feb. 12, an estimated three million people were affected by the quake; the Haitian Government reports that between 217,000 and 230,000 people had been identified as dead, an estimated 300,000 injured, and an estimated 1,000,000 homeless. The death toll is expected to rise. They also estimated that 250,000 residences and 30,000 commercial buildings had collapsed or were severely damaged.

The earthquake caused major damage to Port-au-Prince, Jacmel and other settlements in the region. Many notable landmark buildings were significantly damaged or destroyed, including the Presidential Palace, the National Assembly building, the Port-au-Prince Cathedral, and the main jail. Among those killed were Archbishop of Port-au-Prince Joseph Serge Miot, and opposition leader Micha Gaillard. The headquarters of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH), located in the capital, collapsed, killing many, including the Mission’s Chief, Hédi Annabi.

Many countries responded to appeals for humanitarian aid, pledging funds and dispatching rescue and medical teams, engineers and support personnel. English Language Institute at Missouri State University and Missouri State University also participated in helping Haiti.


Free Movie

Where the Wild Things Are
Wednesday and Sunday, February 24th and 28th, 9-11 PM @ Plaster Student Union Robert W. Theater
An adaptation of Maurice Sendak’s classic children’s story, where Max, a disobedient little boy sent to bed without his supper, creates his own world—a forest inhabited by ferocious wild creatures that crown Max as their ruler.
**English Expressions: It’s my treat.**

**A:** Let’s get one of these giant lobsters.
**B:** Do you know how much those cost? Let’s stick to fish and vegetables.
**A:** Don’t worry, lobster here is cheap.

**It’s my treat.**

**B:** Well, in that case, let’s get the biggest one!

**A:** Funny. Hmm. Let’s make a bet.
**B:** I bet I can eat more than you.

**A:** Whoever loses has to buy everyone tea at Chinatown.

**B:** You’re on. Lobster and crab, here I come.

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**Explanation:**

**It’s my treat.** - something you buy for another person

**Example:**

No, you paid for dinner last time. This is my treat.

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**Interesting Facts about France**

- France is the most visited tourist destinations in the world.
- One of the largest art museums in the world, the Louvre, boasts of having some of the most prized artifacts. This includes Leonardo da Vinci’s Mona Lisa and also the works of French artists like Monet, Cezanne, and Renoir.
- French literature is very popular and well known. Charles Perrault was one of France’s most influential children’s writers. He wrote books such as Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty and Puss in Boots.
- The most popular sports in France are football (soccer), rugby league and rugby union. Handball and basketball are also popular in many parts of France.
- Although only the size of Texas, France has seven mountain ranges and five major river systems.

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**Weather Condition Forecast**

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