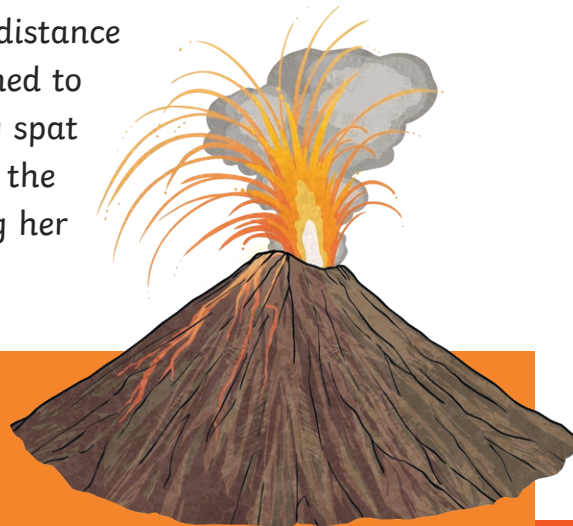


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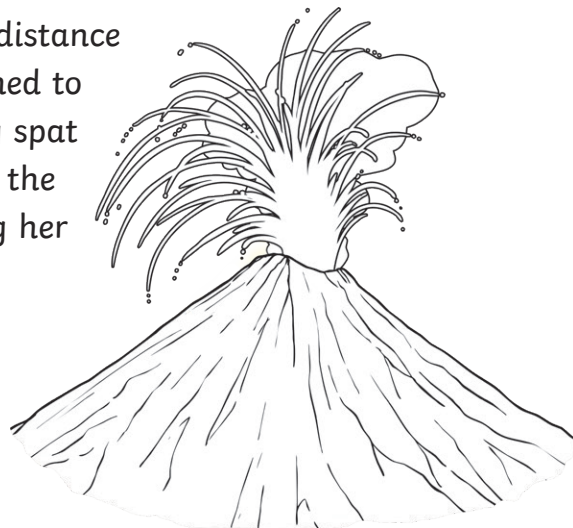
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Answers



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Krakatoa erupted on Rakata Island.



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Pupils' own responses, such as: I think the first paragraph has been included to give the reader background information about the volcano mentioned in the story.



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