Digital Literacy 2: Visual Information Literacy

In Your Own Work: Teaching with Photographs

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Lesson: Before and After

Outline: In this informal activity, I show several scenes where a geologic disaster occurred. Each scene has a before and after photograph. The Before and After images will be scrambled and the students will be required to match them together and then explain, using evidence in the shot, why the images were matched and then explain what disaster had occurred, using evidence found in the picture. (Teacher directions) Print and cut out all of the following pictures and mix them together into one pile. Organize the students into groups of 2 to 4 and have them match the images and then support each match with evidence from the photo, then they must describe what geological activity occurred based on the evidence from the photo. (Modified assignment) The teacher can make an index card for each of the category fields below to help students distinguish between the disasters captured in the photos.

Earthquake

Tsunami

Volcano







































