

# Tidal wave!

This task is about adding words to a text so that it makes sense.

The following piece of writing has some spaces where words are missing.

First, read the whole piece of writing through to get an idea of what it is about. Then fill each space with **ONE** word so that the whole piece of writing makes sense. You are able to change answers as you go.

When you have filled in all the spaces, re-read the text to check that the whole piece of writing makes sense.

## Tidal wave

"A tidal wave is expected to hit the Eastern coast of New Zealand later today."

That's what I heard when Gran <sup>1</sup> on the radio at breakfast time. <sup>2</sup> earthquake in Chile had started the <sup>3</sup>, now it was coming across the <sup>4</sup> towards New Zealand. Gran was delighted. <sup>5</sup> loved disasters!

"When I was a <sup>6</sup>, I remember there was a wave <sup>7</sup> this," she said. "It smashed the <sup>8</sup> across the river."

After breakfast, Gran <sup>9</sup> me into town where everybody was <sup>10</sup> about the wave. The shop people <sup>11</sup> all busy putting goods from the <sup>12</sup> shelves up to the top shelves. <sup>13</sup> the fruit shop, Gran asked Mr Chan <sup>14</sup> he thought there was any danger.

"<sup>15</sup> home, lady, just to be safe, <sup>16</sup> take the lovely child with you," <sup>17</sup> replied, in his polite way.

Out <sup>18</sup> the street, everyone seemed to be <sup>19</sup> in the same direction. They were not going home. Gran kept asking people <sup>20</sup> they were hurrying to.

"Up the <sup>21</sup>, to get a good place to <sup>22</sup> the wave," one woman said.

"Good <sup>23</sup>," said Gran. She took my hand. "<sup>24</sup> with me." And we marched off <sup>25</sup> the top of the hill to <sup>26</sup> a good place.