

## SOAL-SOAL LATIHAN PERSIAPAN UJIAN NASIONAL

Jenjang : SMP/MTS  
Topic : Natural Disasters; Mount Kelud Erupts

Read the following text and answer questions no. 1 – 3.

Thousands of people were evacuated after Mount Kelud on densely populated Java island erupted, spewing ash and raining gravel. The mountain, located in Kediri regency in East Java province, erupted on Thursday, about 90 minutes after authorities raised its status to the highest level. About 200,000 people living in 36 villages within 10 kilometers (6 miles) of the crater had to be evacuated. There were no immediate reports of casualties.



Media reports said the eruption unleashed volcanic material to up to 10 kilometers (6 miles) of the crater. A series of huge blasts unleashed stones and gravel, causing panic among villagers who immediately fled to safer areas.

In 1990, Kelud kicked out searing fumes and lava that killed more than 30 people and injured hundreds. In 1919, a powerful explosion that reportedly could be heard hundreds of miles away killed at least 5,160.

Mount Kelud, 1,731-meter or 5,680-feet, is among about 130 active volcanoes in Indonesia, one of the world's largest archipelago nations. It is prone to volcanic eruptions and earthquakes because of its location on the so-called "Ring of Fire" — a series of fault lines stretching from the Western Hemisphere through Japan and Southeast Asia.

1. What is mainly discussed in the text?

- A. Mount Kelud eruption.
- B. Villagers evacuation.
- C. Active volcanoes.
- D. Ring of Fire

- INDIKATOR: Menentukan gambaran umum teks.
- PEMBAHASAN: Paragraf-paragraf dalam teks tersebut membahas hal-hal yang terkait dengan letusan Gunung Kelud. Paragraf 1 pembahasan utama evakuasi penduduk karena Gunung Kelud meletus. Paragraf 2 laporan media tentang material vulkanik akibat letusan. Paragraf 3 sejarah letusan Gunung Kelud yang terjadi pada tahun 1919 dan 1990. Paragraf terakhir (ke-4) membahas bahwa Gunung Kelud merupakan salah satu gunung berapi di Indonesia yang masih aktif dan berada di lokasi "Cincin Api" (*Ring of Fire*). Dengan demikian gambaran umum dari teks di atas adalah letusan Gunung Kelud.
- JAWAB: A.

2. What is the main idea of the last paragraph?

- A. Indonesia is one of the world's largest archipelago nations.
- B. Mount Kelud is among about 130 active volcanoes in Indonesia.
- C. It is prone to volcanic eruptions and earthquakes.
- D. "Ring of Fire" stretches from the Western Hemisphere through Japan and Southeast Asia.

- INDIKATOR: Menentukan pikiran utama paragraph.
- PEMBAHASAN: Pikiran utama dari paragraph terakhir (ke-4), terletak pada kalimat utama: "*Mount Kelud is among about 130 active volcanoes in Indonesia*" (Gunung Kelud termasuk di antara 130 gunung berapi di Indonesia yang masih aktif). Sedangkan kalimat-kalimat lainnya merupakan penjelas atau anak kalimat dari pernyataan tersebut.
- JAWAB: B

3. "... villagers who immediately fled to safer areas." (Paragraph 2).

The underlined word has closest in meaning to .....

- A. lately
- B. worriedly
- C. directly
- D. enthusiastically

- INDIKATOR: Menentukan makna kata.
- PEMBAHASAN: Kata yang digarisbawahi (*immediately*) memiliki arti yang sama dengan "*directly*" (dengan segera/langsung dilakukan).
- JAWAB: C

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