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Take a Stand

Chapter Five of this book discusses how some scientists believe a major volcanic eruption caused the dinosaurs to become extinct. Do you agree with this theory? Or do you think another event caused the mass extinction? Write a short essay explaining your opinion. Make sure to give reasons for your opinion. Include facts and details to support those reasons.



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Dig Deeper

After reading this book, what questions do you still have about volcanoes? Do you want to learn more about how they form? Perhaps you would like to know more about supervolcanoes or volcanoes on other planets. Write down one or two questions to guide your research. With an adult's help, find a few reliable sources about volcanoes to help answer your questions. Then write a few sentences about how you did your research and what you learned from it.



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Another View

This book had a great deal of information about volcanoes. As you know, every source is different. Ask a librarian or another adult to help you find a new source about volcanoes. Write a short essay comparing and contrasting the new source's point of view with the point of view of this author. What is the point of view of each author? How are they similar? How are they different?



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Tell the Tale

Chapter Two of this book talks about the formation of the volcano Parícutín. Write 200 words telling the story of another volcano. Where is it located? How did it form? Be sure to set the scene, offer a sequence of events, and write a conclusion.