Vocabulary

mystery science

Lesson: How can you save a town from a hurricane?

budget	the amount of money you have to spend on something
constraint	something that limits what you can do, like time, money, or materials
elevation	the height of something
engineer	a person who uses science to come up with solutions to problems
evaporation	the process of a liquid changing to a gas
flood	an overflow of water
hurricane	a type of windstorm that starts as a smaller storm over the ocean
levee	a barrier built to prevent an overflow of water from a river
natural disaster	the harmful impacts on humans that happen because of a natural hazard, such as a landslide, earthquake, hurricane, or wildfire
natural hazard	an event in nature (such as a landslide, earthquake, hurricane, or wildfire) that can be dangerous to living things
seawall	a barrier built to prevent an overflow of water from a large body of water, like the ocean
storm surge	when water levels rise quickly because of a storm
wetland	a habitat where the land is covered by shallow water, such as a swamp