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Level 2 Earth and Space Science 2020

91191 Demonstrate understanding of the causes of extreme Earth events in New Zealand

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Demonstrate understanding of the causes of extreme Earth events in New Zealand.	Demonstrate in-depth understanding of the causes of extreme Earth events in New Zealand.	Demonstrate comprehensive understanding of the causes of extreme Earth events in New Zealand.

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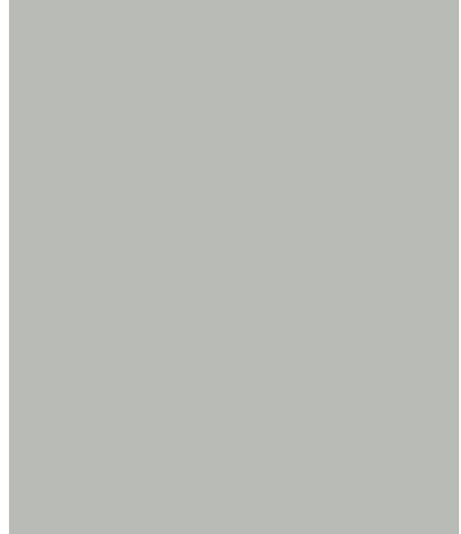
Regional map showing locations referred to in this paper



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QUESTION ONE: CENTRAL TAUPŌ VOLCANIC ZONE

The central part of the Taupō Volcanic Zone (TVZ) is dominated by volcanic centres such as Ōkātaina (OK). These volcanic centres are formed initially as calderas, followed by lava domes such as Haroharo.



Source: <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0012825213001748>

- (a) The diagram below shows how the Pacific Plate subducting under the North Island forms volcanoes in the central TVZ.

Identify the following on the diagram:

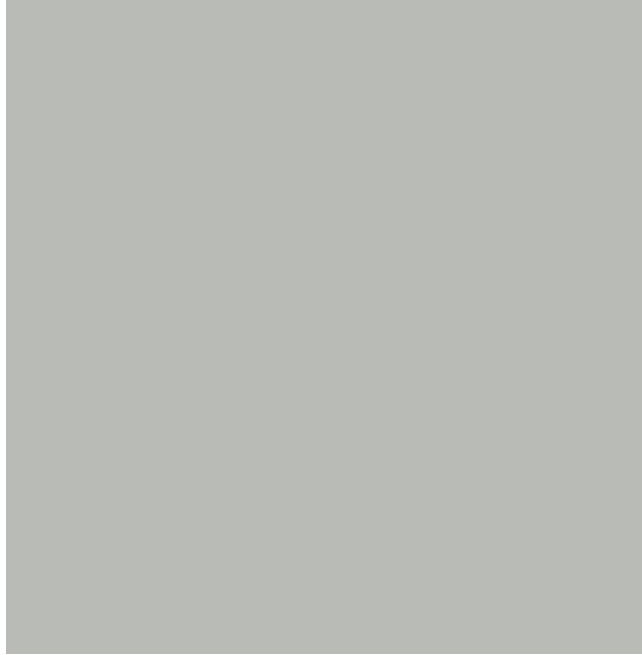
- direction of the plate movement for the Pacific Plate
- the type of crust for each plate
- the two key processes that lead to the formation of rhyolitic magma.



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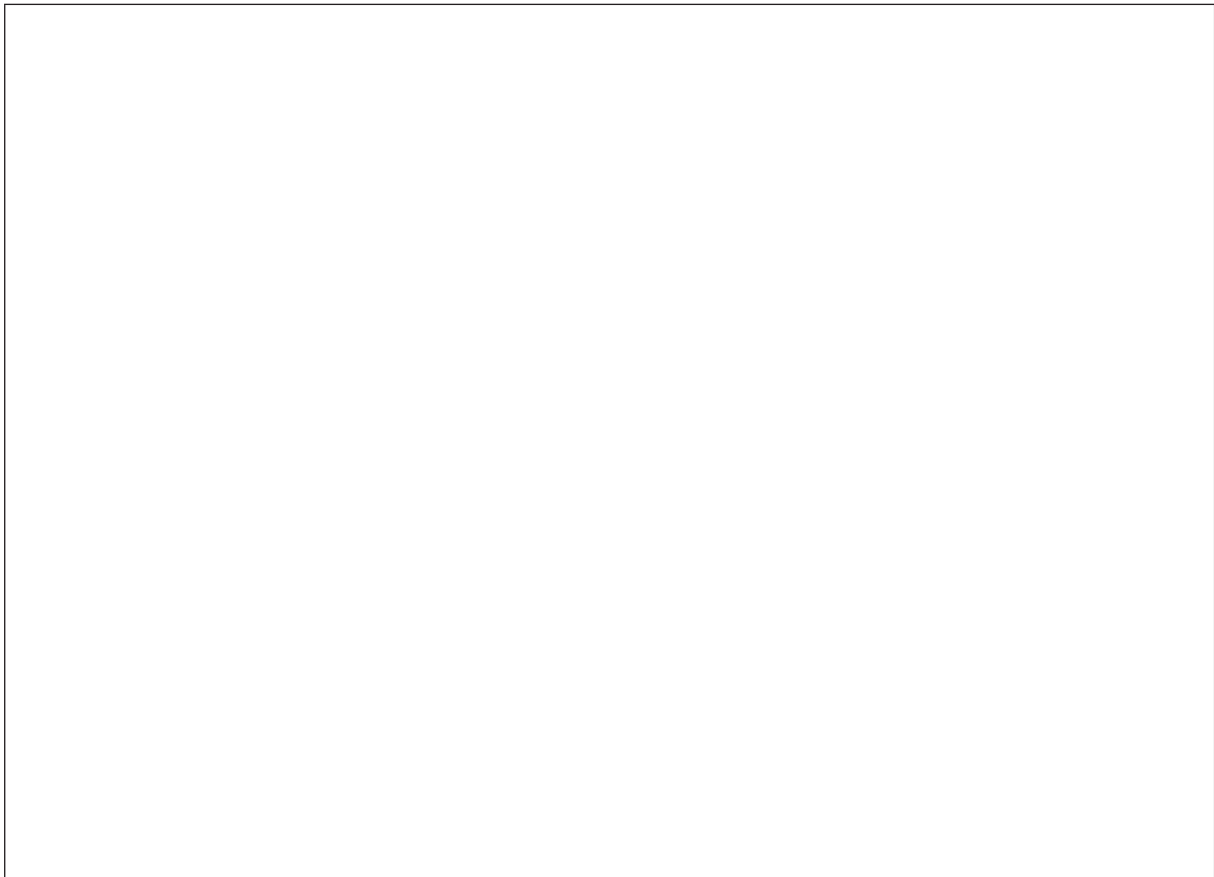
QUESTION TWO: HIKURANGI MEGATHRUST TSUNAMI RISKASSESSOR'S
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Scientists researching the Hikurangi subduction zone have identified the risk of a future magnitude 8+ earthquake in the southern section of the zone. This may generate tsunami off the east coast of New Zealand.



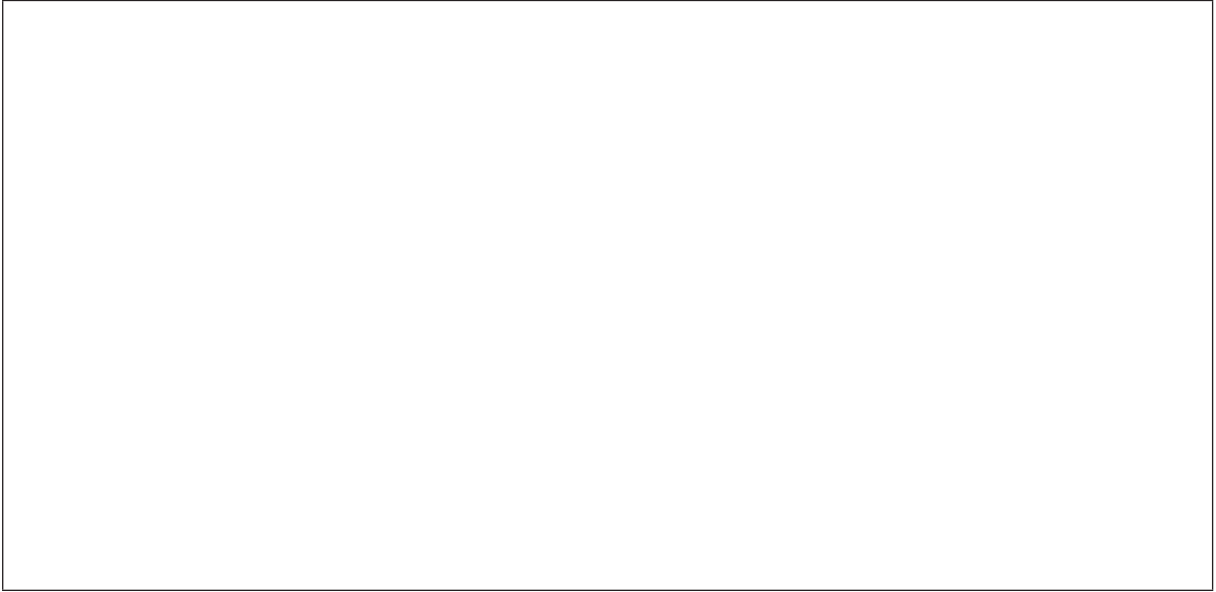
- (a) Draw a labelled diagram to show how movement of the Earth's crust could create a tsunami off the east coast of the North Island.

Source: www.geonet.org.nz/news/1cpilUuSb4GESciU0yi0AM



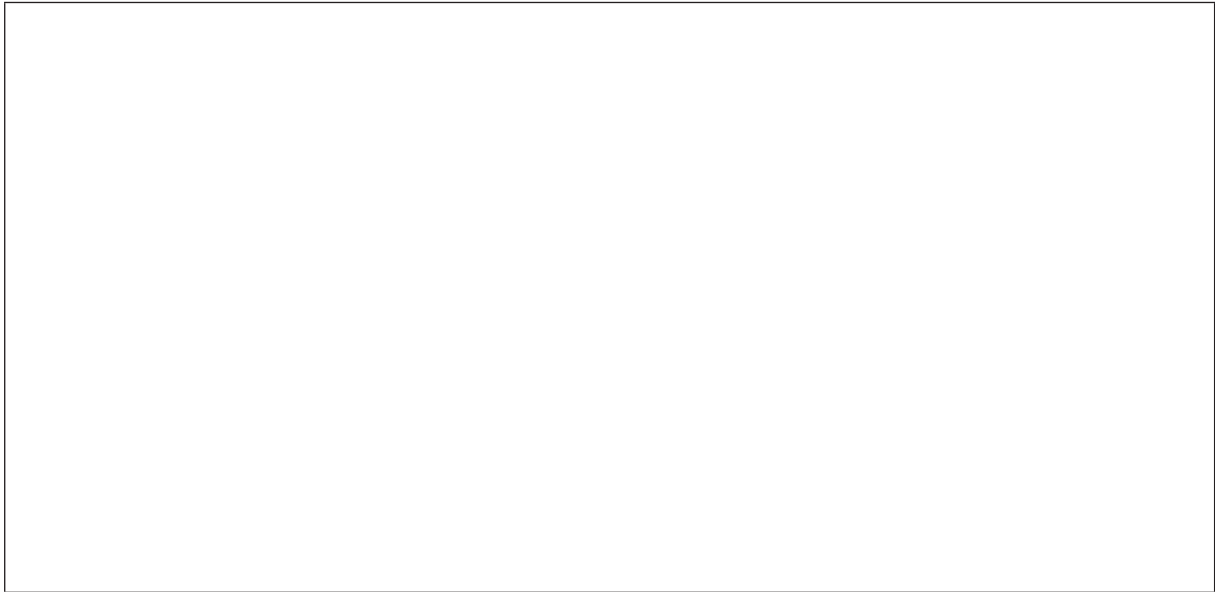
- (b) Discuss how energy and movement of the tectonic plates could lead to a megathrust earthquake in the Hikurangi subduction zone.

A diagram may assist your explanation.



- (c) Explain comprehensively how energy and crust movement during a megathrust event may result in a tsunami.

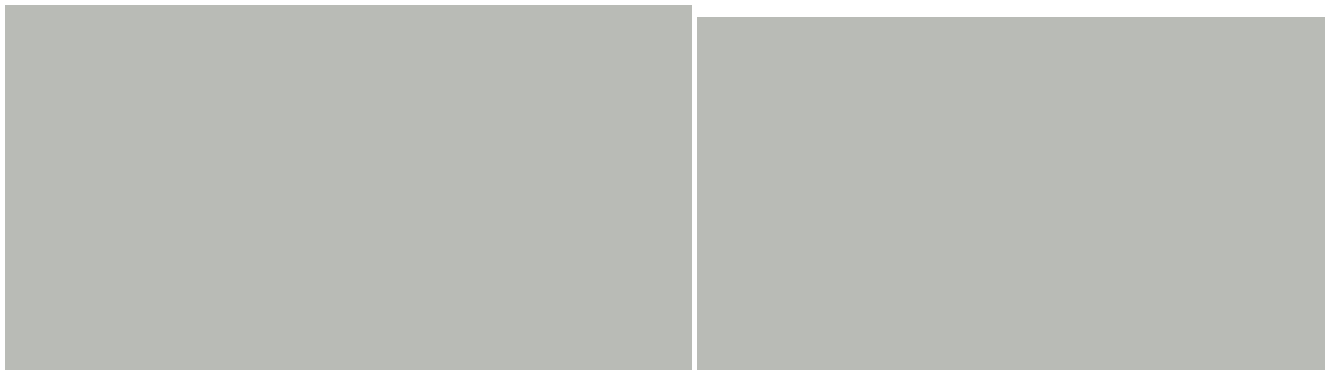
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QUESTION THREE: DUNEDIN EARTHQUAKE RISK

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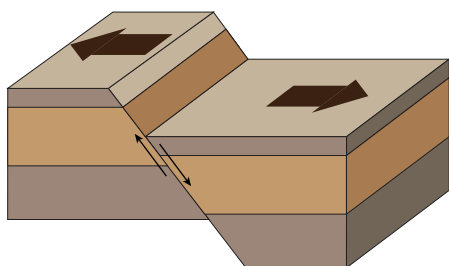
Researchers have discovered that the Titri fault near Dunedin has produced earthquakes in the past. The earthquakes are thought to have been approximately 7 in magnitude and caused uplift of 3 metres or more. This could mean there is a possible risk to Dunedin of future earthquakes along the Titri fault, despite Dunedin being quite far from a plate boundary.

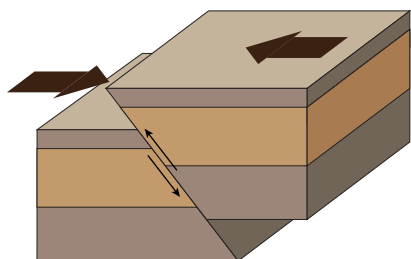


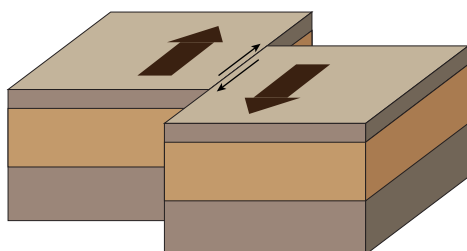
Adapted from: <https://www.linz.govt.nz/sites/default/files/topography/topo-maps/nz-small-scale-maps/the-south.jpg>

Source: www.stuff.co.nz/science/81763237/could-dunedin-be-hit-by-a-large-local-earthquake

(a) Label the diagrams below to identify the three main types of fault found in New Zealand.







- (b) Explain in detail how movement of the Pacific Plate could lead to a large-magnitude earthquake along the Titi fault, which is over 200 km from the plate boundary.

A diagram may assist your explanation



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- (c) Discuss how a 3-metre uplift could be generated along the Titri fault.
Your answer should refer to the type of fault movement.
A diagram may assist your explanation



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