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Shaky Ground: Where Do Earthquakes Most Commonly Occur?

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Where do earthquakes most commonly occur?
 - a) In the middle of tectonic plates
 - b) At the North and South Poles
 - c) Along the boundaries of tectonic plates
 - d) In underground caves

2. What causes earthquakes at convergent boundaries?
 - a) Plates moving apart
 - b) Plates sliding past each other
 - c) Plates moving toward each other and colliding
 - d) None of the above

3. Which region is known as the "Ring of Fire" and experiences frequent earthquakes?
 - a) Sahara Desert
 - b) Amazon Rainforest
 - c) Around the Pacific Ocean
 - d) European Alps

4. What are intraplate earthquakes?
 - a) Earthquakes that occur along plate boundaries
 - b) Earthquakes that happen within the interior of tectonic plates
 - c) Earthquakes caused by volcanic eruptions
 - d) Earthquakes that only occur underwater

5. Why is understanding where earthquakes are likely to occur important?
 - a) To predict the weather
 - b) To plan vacations
 - c) For earthquake preparedness and safety
 - d) To study marine life

