

Read the following article and fill in the blanks with one of the words below

Using 2 different colors, decide what category each word belongs to : verb noun

buildings	centred	collapsed	damage	depth	evacuated	fear
felt	injured	islands	quake	shook	struck	windows

Strong earthquake hits Martinique

A strong earthquake measuring 7.4 magnitude has hit near the island of Martinique in the eastern Caribbean, the US Geological Survey has said.

The earthquake **struck**¹ at 1500 (1900 GMT) off the north-west coast of Martinique at a **depth**² of 145.4 kilometres (90.4 miles).

Two people were **injured**³, official Lorne Martin told Radio Martinique.

There have been unconfirmed reports that some **buildings**⁴ have collapsed in Martinique's capital, Fort-de-France.

The earthquake was **centred**⁵ 40km (25 miles) north-west of Fort-de-France, the US Geological Survey (USGS) said.

'Everything shook'

"For the moment, a building and a bank have **collapsed**⁶," a police source in Fort-de-France told the French news agency AFP.

Callers to Radio Martinique described their **fear**⁷ as the quake struck.

"My house **shook**⁸ so hard I thought it was going to fall. The door, the **windows**⁹, everything shook," the Associated Press reported one caller as saying.

"I wouldn't expect major **damage**¹⁰ because the quake has some depth," Don Blakeman, a geophysicist at the National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colorado told AP.

There were also reports that the **islands**¹¹ of Guadeloupe and Dominica had felt the quake strongly.

Residents on islands further across the eastern Caribbean - as far away as Puerto Rico to the north and Trinidad and Tobago to the south - told the USGS that they had felt the **quake**¹².

The tremor was also **felt**¹³ hundreds of miles away in South America.

In the Venezuelan capital, Caracas, 500 miles (800km) from the epicentre, some people **evacuated**¹⁴

office buildings, Reuters news agency reported.



The quake's epicentre was 40km from Fort-de-France, Martinique



[Witness accounts](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/talking_point/7121411.stm)

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