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THE BERMUDA TRIANGLE

The Bermuda Triangle is also known as the Devil's Triangle. It is a mysterious area in the North Atlantic Ocean between Bermuda, Miami and San Juan. This triangle of ocean has caused many disappearances throughout history. So far over 75 planes and hundreds of ships have vanished in this area. In 1945 five training flights left from a Florida Naval Base and never returned. The boat that was sent on a rescue mission to find the planes also strangely vanished. No traces were ever found. In 1918, navy ship USS Cyclops disappeared in the Bermuda Triangle. The crew of 309 were never found. Most recently a small plane vanished when flying from Puerto Rico to South Florida. Many of these disappearances have occurred during fine weather conditions. There are some possible reasons behind the disappearances in the Bermuda Triangle. The area is known for dangerous tropical cyclones that have killed thousands of people. Large gas explosions caused by drillings or landslides under the surface of the earth could also be blamed for the disappearances. This gas could cause boats to sink to the bottom of the ocean or it could blow planes up. Electronic fog is another possible cause. It is a strange phenomenon that sticks to planes and ships.

Use the words from the story to fill in the missing space.

1. The Bermuda Triangle is also known as the _____.
2. The Triangle has caused many _____ throughout history.
3. The Triangle is located between Bermuda, _____ and _____.
4. Many disappearances have occurred during _____ weather.
5. The area is known for deadly _____ cyclones.

Challenge questions

List two possible causes for the disappearances in the Bermuda Triangle.

1. _____
2. _____

What do you think causes the disappearances in the Bermuda Triangle?
