Earthquake Challenge

Complete the multiple choice activity.

1. An instrument used to detect and record earthquakes.
   a. ring of fire   b. seismograph   c. tsunami   d. seismic waves

2. A crack in the earth’s surface along which movement takes place.
   a. fault   b. epicenter   c. focus   d. tectonic plates

3. Used to measure the strength of earthquakes.
   a. focus   b. tsunami   c. seismic waves   d. Richter scale

4. The point within the earth where an earthquake rupture starts.
   a. subduction   b. San Andreas   c. San Francisco   d. focus

5. Large ocean wave created by undersea earthquakes or volcanic eruptions.
   a. epicenter   b. tsunami   c. San Andreas   d. Mexico

6. The zone of earthquakes and volcanoes surrounding the Pacific Ocean.
   a. focus   b. subduction   c. ring of fire   d. tsunami

7. The process of an oceanic plate colliding with and descending underneath a continental plate.
   a. subduction   b. focus   c. Richter scale   d. San Francisco

8. Waves from an earthquake are known as these.
   a. San Francisco   b. ring of fire   c. Richter scale   d. seismic waves

9. This country's capital city was devastated by an earthquake in 1985.
   a. subduction   b. Mexico   c. Richter scale   d. epicenter

10. Fault that makes California an area of high risk for earthquakes.
    a. San Andreas   b. ring of fire   c. tsunami   d. seismograph

11. The area of the earth's surface that is directly above the origin of an earthquake.
    a. ring of fire   b. San Francisco   c. epicenter   d. Richter scale

12. This city experienced an earthquake in 1989 which postponed baseball's World Series.
    a. Mexico   b. San Francisco   c. seismic waves   d. San Andreas

13. The large, thin, plates that move relative to one another on the outer surface of the Earth.
    a. Mexico   b. subduction   c. tsunami   d. tectonic plates