

Medium 1 Lab Questions

(Student Samples)

Student 1

What do you learn from this resource about the natural disaster? What happened? Who was most impacted and why? I learned that this story was underreported and without the journalist covering this perspective I would have never known. It is best to be prepared at all times but how can you be prepared as an inmate? The county jail should have had a viable plan. Hurricane Katrina came and caused a flooding through the New Orleans jail. This caused the people inside of the jail to not eat for up to 6 days. Juveniles were impacted since they were taken to an adult jail.

What do you learn about the history of this place and why some people were more affected by this natural disaster than others? I learned that the city of New Orleans where the jail was located has a history of flooding and is below sea level. I also know that people in jail are often treated inhumane and this is why prison reform efforts are needed. Inmates are often treated like animals, so this would cause the jail to be not prepared for what was coming because nobody cared enough to prepare. The inmates were more affected by this natural disaster than others because they did not have the freedom and funds to evacuate.

What connections do you see between these stories and the stories we explored yesterday? The connections I see between this story and the ones we explored yesterday is that they also expressed that they didn't have resources to survive, and they especially did not have any food to eat. They also talked about how buildings were destroyed from the hurricanes and a lot of their homes were not restored.

What elements of this resource were the most engaging for you? Why? The parts where she would let her tears run down her face, this was the most engaging for me because it gave me a sense of her pain and frustration. She spoke from her heart, and it was convincing. It is also kind of gave me some proof of authenticity.

Student 2

What do you learn from this resource about the natural disaster? What happened? Who was most impacted and why? Looking back at the video I reflected on how we should be prepared

at all times but how can we be prepared without the resources or funding to evacuate?

Hurricane Katrina came and caused New Orleans to flood and the jail was impacted by the flood. People that were in the jail such as juveniles and adults were impacted because the water was raised

up to their necks and they did not have a food supply.

What do you learn about the history of this place and why some people were more affected by this natural disaster than others? I learned that people are still traumatized from the hurricane ,

and some were affected more than others because of factors beyond their control like having enough money to evacuate or the freedom to do so.

What connections do you see between these stories and the stories we explored yesterday? Both stories we have explored are dealing with natural disasters and its impact on certain groups of people.

What elements of this resource were the most engaging for you? Why?

The elements that was most engaging to me is when they had the inmates going to the bridge. This was most engaging because they had no food, and no clean water. A lot of them were still chained

and they had teens my age in the jail with adults.

Student 3

I learned that prisoners were treated harshly during the events of Hurricane Katrina, Prisoners were treated inhumanely and did not have food and water because of Hurricane Katrina.

Prisoners was the most impacted because they had to endure the harsh environment of Hurricane Katrina.

Poor Black communities had it harsh when Hurricane Katrina hit and were affected badly by it. Some people are more affected by natural disasters because they are in low income households.

It is already hard to keep up with daily living and often times they are able to prepare for disasters.

The elements that were most engaging to me in this story was how the prisoners had to stand in the water for 3 days and go without food and water for 5 days.

This was most interesting to me because we are supposed to be a country with morals and yet these prisoners who are still human were treated very inhumanely and it was like their lives did not matter.