

# RAP YOUR WAY TO HURRICANE SMARTNESS!

Step UP, Get READY, RESPOND, right NOW!

Step UP, get READY – We'll show you HOW.

You gotta KNOW the FACTS

so you KNOW how to ACT-

What to DO, what to WATCH,

Where to GO!:

**1. What you gotta NOTICE?**

**2. What you gotta KNOW?**

**3. What you gotta DO with the INFO?**

You gotta be RESILIENT!

You gotta SURVIVE!

Know what to DO to keep yourself ALIVE!

## **1.GET WEATHER SMART!**

a) You gotta CHECK the WEATHER

THREE TIMES A DAY.

If it's gonna FLOOD, you SHOULDN'T STAY!



b) If there's a FLOOD WATCH, you'd better

GET READY;

Before you know, it could be

Raining like confetti!

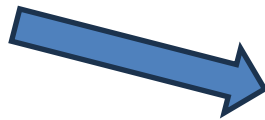
WATCH  
≤ 48 Hours  
Conditions Possible

In a HURRICANE WARNING,

be prepared to GO.

Get yourself OUT

before the water starts to FLOW!



WARNING!  
≤ 36 Hours  
Conditions EXPECTED!!!

c) HURRICANES are “born” where the ocean is WARM,

Needing 80 degrees

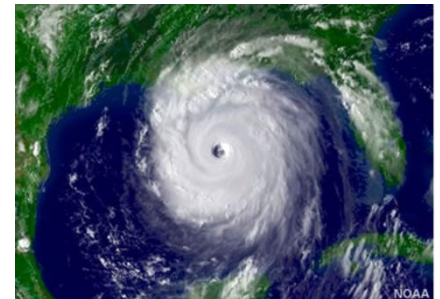
for a TROPICAL STORM.

Low vertical wind shear

and a cluster of storms

Complete the recipe

for these hazards to form!



d) You gotta CHECK the WEATHER

AND the NHC.

Tropical Storm Graphics predict

what might be.

The CONE may be uncertain,

but YOU shouldn't be.

Learn to speak “weather” and

be READY!



Category 4?

What does THAT mean?

BIG WINDS are coming.

CLEAR THE SCENE!

**2. GET PLACE WISE!**

a) You gotta STEP UP – and keep the DRAINS CLEAR.



Know your FLOOD ZONE

if you're gonna

LIVE HERE.

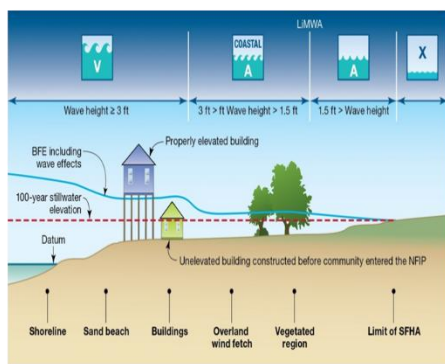
A flooded street

is NO place to wade.

Keep yourself

from DROWNING

in a germ parade.



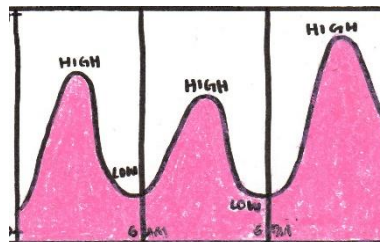
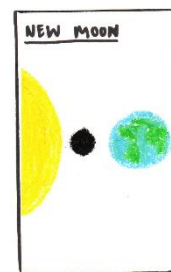
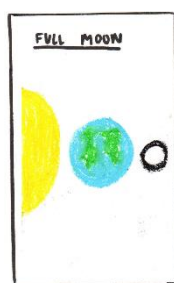
b) You gotta NOTICE the MOON.

You gotta NOTICE the TIDES.

You gotta be prepared if the waters RISE!

As the MOON moves, it pulls the water, TOO,

Making highest TIDES at FULL and NEW.



## GET PLACE WISE!

c) What's The Story in the land?

Did a creek once flow

where buildings now stand?

How does a saltmarsh

give and give,

creating habitat for

animals to live?

Fill in a marsh and

soon you'll see,

flooding's a problem

for you and me.

Water always wins

if you tell it

NO!

Let Water teach us

where it needs to go.



## 3. GET STORM SURGE SMART!

a) A WALL OF WATER

may be on its way.

This is NOT the time to

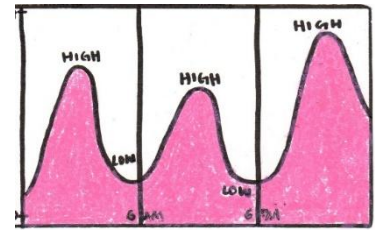
decide to STAY!

b) [TIDE CHARTS](#), [FORECASTS](#), LANDMARKS,

[APPS](#) –

Gotta check them out

so you don't get TRAPPED!



c) Find your home

@ this [NOAA site](#).

View INUNDATION

at different land heights.



d) What's

THE FLOODING

## BIG BAD FIVE



to put your plans

Into OVERDRIVE?

1. Tropical storm or hurricane force wind speeds.
2. Extreme Rainfall.
3. Full/New Moon High Tide (coastal zones).
4. You will be in the **right front quadrant of the storm**, bringing the strongest winds and highest risk of tornadoes, extreme rainfall, & storm surge.
5. Your home is at low elevation, on a filled wetland, or in a floodplain.

## 4. **GET PREP-READY!**

a) Are you living in a [FLOOD PRONE ZONE](#)?

ARE you gonna have to LEAVE your HOME?

[Pack a kit and keep it READY!](#)

Don't freak out. STAY STEADY.



b) Where is the BUS STOP to take you to a SHELTER?

What you gonna DO when we have bad WEATHER?

To avoid a CRISIS, you gotta make a PLAN;

Know what to do and UNDERSTAND.

Use your HEAD.

Know your ROUTE;

And STAY TOGETHER if you have to

GET OUT!



c) NEVER say "WHATEVER"!

Don't take that 'tude.

Look up, look out.

Start packin' some food.

Fill your water bottles.

Pack your meds.

Bring a little pillow for your head.



d) Listen to us KIDS.

We KNOW what to DO.

No time to wait,

and we mean **YOU!**

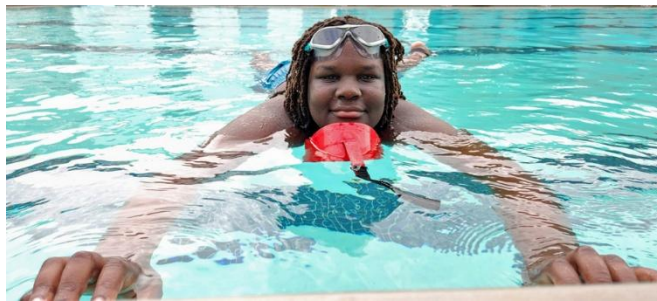


## 5. **GET WATER SAFE!**

Get Water Safe. Do it for yourself.

Move in the water

'Cause it's good for  
your health!



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