



DISASTER GAME

TO PLAY

1. *Throw a die and select **one** option from **each** of the categories below.*

Time and Place

Current Weather

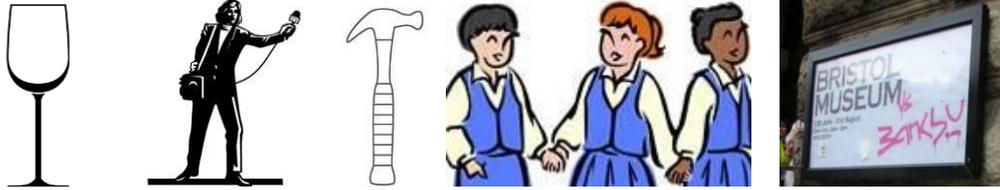
Disaster

2. *Discuss scenario (15 - 20 mins) and decide on initial actions to take.*
3. *After 20 mins throw a die and select **two** options from:*

Community Chest

4. *Discuss scenario and decide on next actions to take.*

TIME AND PLACE



1. It is 8.25pm. There is a prestigious and lucrative hospitality event in your main show room/ gallery. The Chair of the Arts Council has just finished her speech which has overrun. The 75 business people in the audience are more than ready for their wine and food.
2. It is 2.00pm. There is an official opening in progress for a new permanent exhibition/ refurbished historic room. The Secretary for State for Culture, Media and Sport is giving the opening speech. There is full television and press coverage present. This is a major event in raising the public profile of your site.
3. It is 11.00am. Your historic house/museum/gallery is open to the public. Contractors are repairing the floor in the entrance hall, one of your upper rooms is closed to the public where contractors are installing a new security system and a third team of contractors is constructing racking in a new store.
4. It is 1.00pm. You have several school parties in the building. Of the many groups one is a party of hearing and non-hearing children and another is a group of wheelchair users.
5. It's 7pm. The staff are rushing to set up the final cases, exhibits and labels for a high profile, well advertised, exhibition which opens to the public at 10am tomorrow.
6. it's 3pm. The building is full to capacity and there is a queue of over three hundred visitors outside, many of whom have been waiting hours to get in.

CURRENT WEATHER



1. It is summer and the weather is hot and settled.
2. It is winter and the weather is cold, with daytime temperatures barely reaching freezing point. There has been a prolonged period of snow and more is forecast.
3. It is late winter and the daytime temperature is approximately 10°C. There is prolonged and heavy rain, with floods caused by rain and melting snow.
4. It's autumn and light winds have become strong gales.
5. It's spring and there is a sudden heavy hail storm, with large hail stones falling.
6. It's summer and there is a violent thunderstorm.



DISASTER



1. A nearby plastics factory is experiencing a major fire which is producing black sticky particulates and elevated levels of sulphur dioxide. The wind is blowing in the direction of your site.
2. A disturbed person has just sprayed two of the finest oil paintings in the collection with a strongly acidic substance and is threatening further damage.
3. The drains in your property have been partially blocked for some time. In the last few minutes the problem of flooding and polluted water has become apparent to anyone who is in the building. The 'bad eggs' smell associated with hydrogen sulphide is very noticeable.
4. There has been a small earth tremor and subsidence is affecting a store within the main building. The shelving has been badly destabilised and although no objects have fallen, it is only a matter of time.
5. The fire alarm has just gone off. There is a smell of burning but the site of the fire is not immediately obvious.
6. Because of a problem with a dam further upstream it is quite likely that a nearby river will burst its banks in about one hour and produce flooding of up to one meter in depth around the building.

COMMUNITY CHEST

(just to complicate things!)



1. The emergency services have ordered that you clear the building immediately and the media are demanding a statement.
2. The Property/Museum/Gallery Director insists that you gather a team of staff together to get as many objects out as possible and as quickly as possible.
3. Anthrax spores have been identified in an adjacent building.
4. A civil demonstration means that there is a group of about 5000 protestors (including a small drunken and aggressive element brandishing car paint spray cans) outside your property/museum.
5. Power failure in the public transport system and a major road accident means that some key workers cannot get to your site for several hours.
6. You learn from your senior finance officer that no more funds are available to hire services or contractors.