

THE MERCALLI SCALE



1. Look at the pictures. Say what scale you think you can see in each picture.
2. Read what the persons say and think about what scale it could be.

Peter: "I usually don't have any problems with my health but I suddenly think everything around me moves and I can't stand properly."

Sam: "I don't know what you are talking about. I think you should go to a doctor."

Susan: "Suddenly there was this long crack in the wall."

Betty: "I was driving across the river and when I had driven about $\frac{3}{4}$ across it, the car suddenly moved faster. When I looked in the mirror, I saw that half of the bridge was rising...."

3. Give examples for three of the scales. You can do it in direct speech as above or you can describe the situation in one or two sentences.