Tornado over water
Tornadoes

Fork lightning
Tornado destruction
Making a vortex

Name: ______________________________________________________________

Draw a picture of the equipment.

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Describe what you did:

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What happened when you pulled the plug?

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How is this similar to real tornadoes?

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Making a twister in a jar

Name: _____________________________

Draw a picture of the equipment.

Describe what happened inside the jar.

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Why do you think it happened?

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How is this similar to a real tornado?

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STRANGE TORNADO FACTS

1  The Pampa, Texas tornado moved machinery that weighed more than 13,610 kg!

2  Tornadoes have been described as sounding like trains, jet planes, waterfalls and swarms of bees!

3  The furthest known distance a piece of paper was carried by a tornado was over 200 miles!

4  In the Great Bend tornado, Kansas, hundreds of ducks were picked up and dropped 25 miles north-east!

5  On 3–4 April 1974, 148 tornadoes were recorded in the mid-western and southern states of the USA!
6 On 20 May 1949 a herd of 13 cows was reportedly carried about 0.5 km by a tornado before being dropped unharmed.

7 The Tri-state Tornado on 18 March 1925 killed 695 people during its 60–73 mph, 219 mile track through Missouri, Illinois and Indiana.

8 The costliest tornado resulted in $1,250,000,000 (£659,961,250) worth of damage, in central and northern Georgia.

9 Tornadoes kill more than 200 people a year.

10 A school with 85 pupils inside it was demolished by a tornado. The pupils were carried 137 metres and no-one was killed!
Strange tornado facts – true or false?

Name: ______________________________________________________________

Read the strange tornado facts and decide whether or not each statement is true or false.

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2 __________________
3 __________________
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