Top Notch Pop Song Activities
(Unit 6, “Lucky to Be Alive”)

A. Read and listen to the song “Lucky to Be Alive.” Complete the lyrics with the five disasters and emergencies mentioned in the song.

Thank you for helping me to survive.
I'm really lucky to be alive.
When I was caught in a freezing ________________,
1.
you taught me how to stay warm.
When I was running from a ________________
2.
with no place to hide,
you protected me from injury.
Even the world's biggest ________________
3.
has got nothing on me,
because you can go faster.
You keep me safe from disaster.
You're like some kind of hero—
you're the best friend that I know.

[CHORUS]
Thank you for helping me to survive.
I'm really lucky to be alive.

When the big ________________ came with the pouring rain,
4.
they were saying that a natural disaster loomed.
You just opened your umbrella.
You were the only fellow who kept calm and prepared.
You found us shelter.
I never felt like anybody cared
the way that you did when you said,
"I will always be there—
you can bet your life on it."
And when the ________________ turned the day into night,
5.
you held a flashlight and showed me the safe way home.
You called for help on your cell phone.
You said you'd never leave me.
You said, "Believe me,
in times of trouble you will never be alone."
They said it wasn't such a bad situation.
It was beyond imagination.
I'm just glad to be alive—
and that is no exaggeration.

[CHORUS]
Thank you for helping me to survive.
I'm really lucky to be alive.

B. Think about the meaning of the song. Then answer each question.

1. What's the main theme of the song?
   ______________________________________________________

2. Challenge: What did the friend do for the singer during each of the following disasters?
   a. during a freezing snowstorm ____________________________
   b. during a landslide _________________________________
   c. during a big flood _________________________________
   d. during a cyclone _________________________________

3. What's the singer thankful for?
   ______________________________________________________