

# Question 3

## Is your yard prepared for a disaster?

	SELECT ALL THAT APPLY	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	RESOURCE / LINKS
4 P O I N T S	I have inventoried, trimmed, and secured all trees, poles, and electrical items.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High winds can knock down branches and trees, as well as poles and other structures, and damage your home.</li> <li>• Storage buildings, vehicles, and equipment can become projectiles in high winds.</li> <li>• Maintain trees on your property when located near utility easements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Tree Pruning Guide</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Pruning In Three Steps</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Tree Trimming 101: Why, When and How To Do It</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Mature Trees: Managing Risk</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Securing a Shed for High Winds</a></li> </ul>
3 P O I N T S	I have healthy soil which can absorb and hold more rain and promotes healthy landscaping.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthy soils are a little-known asset to most homeowners.</li> <li>• Plants are healthier and more vigorous in healthy soils.</li> <li>• Healthy soils hold much more water from heavy rains.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Improving Landscape Soils: Crucial to Long Term Success</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Compost for Healthy Soils</a></li> </ul>
2 P O I N T S	I have pervious paving or a rain garden which can detain rainwater temporarily during storms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impervious surfaces direct rainwater to storm drains and on to the bayous so fast that they flood.</li> <li>• Pervious surfaces tend to detain water on the property for longer than impervious surfaces, helping to decrease pressure on the drainage system</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Rain Garden 101</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Rain Garden Fact sheet</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Rain Garden Maintenance</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">EPA Permeable Paving</a></li> </ul>
1 P O I N T	I have water-smart planting, trees suitable for Houston, and a vegetable garden.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some plants take less maintenance than others.</li> <li>• Some plants take less watering than others.</li> <li>• Planting your own fruits and vegetables can provide self- satisfaction in addition to better nutrition and freshness.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Tree Finder</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Plant Selector</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Plan Your Garden</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">The Right Tree in the Right Place</a></li> </ul>