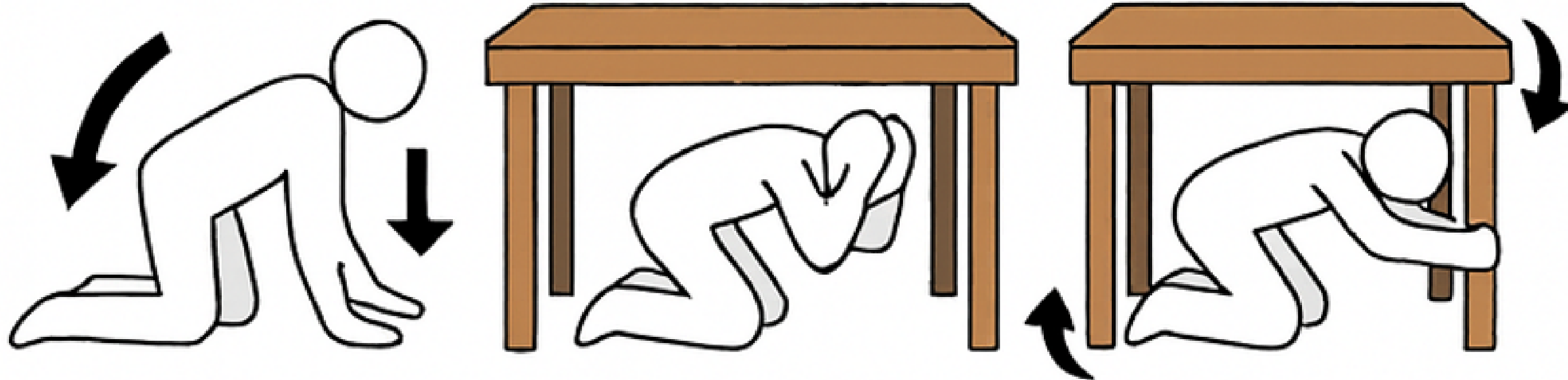




EARTHQUAKE SAFETY: DROP, COVER, HOLD ON



1. DURING THE SHAKING (The Most Critical Step)



DROP!

Drop immediately onto your hands and knees.

COVER!

Get under a sturdy desk or table. If no shelter is nearby, move to an interior wall.

HOLD ON!

Hold onto your shelter. Be prepared to move with it if the shaking shifts it.



DO NOT try to run outside or use the elevator

STAY AWAY FROM:

Windows, glass, unsecured heavy objects (bookcases, cabinets), and exterior walls



2. AFTER THE SHAKING STOPS



WAIT:

Wait at least **60 seconds** before getting up. Be alert for potential aftershocks.



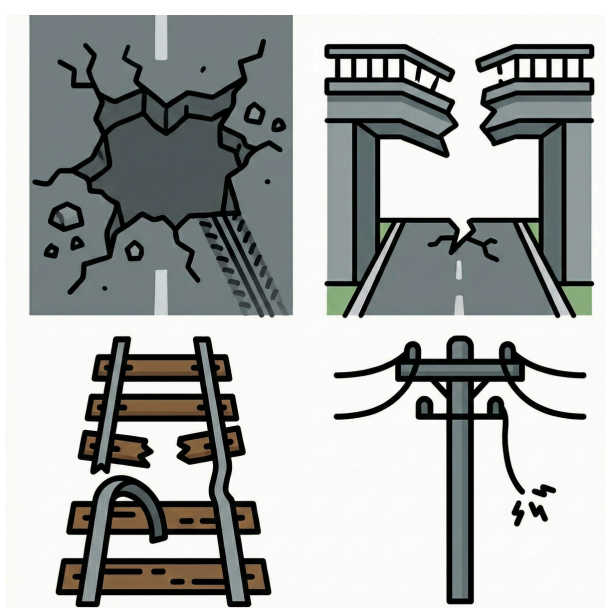
CHECK & ASSESS:

Check yourself and those around you for injuries.



EVACUATE:

If safe to do so, calmly evacuate the building. Use the **STAIRS ONLY** – **NEVER** the elevator



HAZARDS:

Watch out for fallen debris, broken glass (put on sturdy shoes!), and downed power lines.



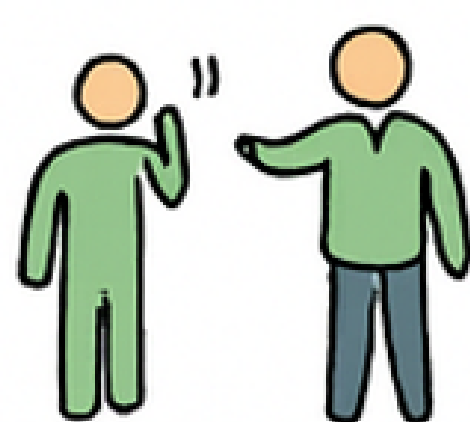
GAS LEAK: If you smell gas (rotten eggs), do not use matches, lighters, or turn any electrical switches on or off, as a spark could ignite the gas. Evacuate immediately and report it.

3. AT THE ASSEMBLY POINT



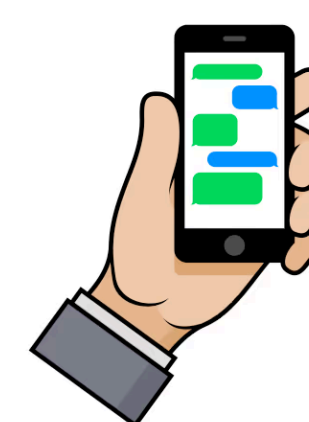
PROCEED:

Go to your building's designated **Emergency Assembly Area (EAA)**, which is usually a clear, open space away from structures.



REPORT:

Follow the instructions of Evacuation Wardens and emergency responders. Report any missing or trapped persons.



STAY CONNECTED:

Use **text messages** to communicate—phone lines may be overwhelmed. Monitor official campus alerts or a battery-powered radio for updates.



DO NOT RE-ENTER:

Do not re-enter the building until it is officially declared safe by university authorities.



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