- » The six month hurricane season runs from June 1<sup>st</sup> through November 30<sup>th</sup>.
- » Hurricanes are large, spiraling tropical storms that can pack wind speeds of over 160 miles an hour and unleash more than 2.4 trillion gallons of rain a day.
- » 40 percent of the hurricanes that occur in the United States hit Florida.
- » The difference between a tropical storm and a hurricane is wind speed – tropical storms usually bring winds of 36-47 miles per hour, whereas hurricane wind speeds are at least 74 miles per hour.

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