

## **"Why I Shouldn't Have to Do Volcano Day"**

*(Sarcastic and funny with a hint of real frustration)*

*(Rolling eyes, exasperated)* Why do we have to do *Volcano Day* every. single. year? I mean, I've made six baking soda volcanoes since third grade. I've used paper mache, clay, even an old soda bottle once.

And no matter how hard I try, *Tommy's* volcano always explodes better than mine. He brings goggles and everything. Last year, he even made it *smoke*. Real smoke! Mine... bubbled a little. Then collapsed like a soggy cupcake.

I just don't think volcanoes are my destiny. Maybe I could do a project on earthquakes instead. Or chocolate. Or why lava lamps are cooler than lava. Just... please. No more baking soda science. I can't take another molten failure.