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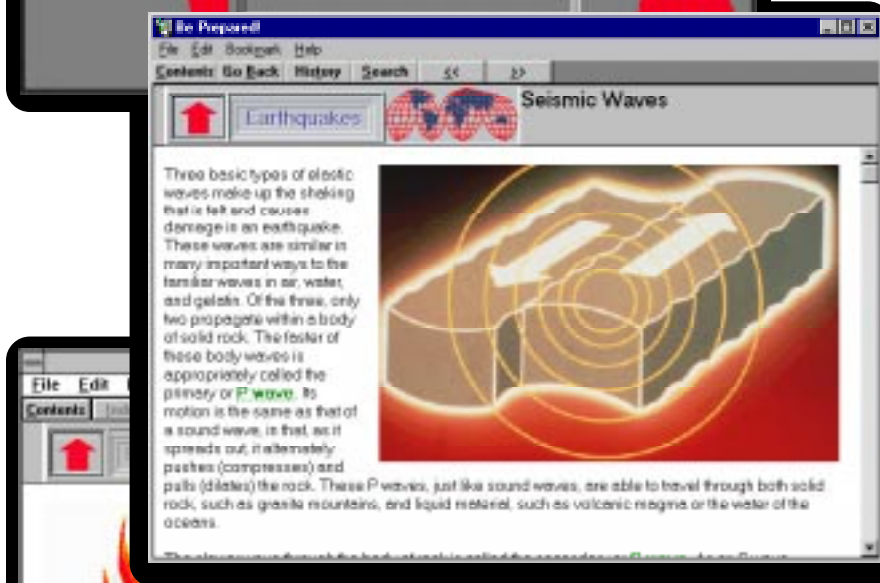
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EARTHQUAKES: A Multimedia Introduction



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Based on the manuscript of an introductory chapter (Bolt, 1989) written for an earthquake resistant design text-book (Naeim, 1989), this multimedia introduction provides an easy to understand explanation for many aspects of earthquakes, their causes, fault sources, damage mechanisms, risks, and prediction. It provides an entry point into the multimedia information system and provides the background needed to understand more technical topics which are included in the other components. Several navigation buttons placed on the top of the screen let the user browse back and forth, through the topics of the electronic book.



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