

DUE IN-CLASS:

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[Building for the Next Big Storm](#)

[Living Growing Breakwaters](#)

[Folding the Coastal Plain: Staten Islands Eastern Shore](#)

1) What are three things you didn't know about how New York before reading these articles?

2) Do you think New York will be better prepared for the next storm and why?

3) Which areas will be best prepared (lower Manhattan or Staten Island)?

4) In what ways do you think the city not ready for the next "disaster"?

5) What do you think is most inspiring about Bjarke Ingel Group's "Big U" project?

6) From the New York Times article, ***“We need to retreat, especially intellectually,” he said, “from the idea that we can keep on building anywhere we want. New Yorkers are tough. They can take whatever nature throws their way. But you just can’t grow forever at the expense of the sea.”*** What do you think of this statement? Do you agree? If so, in your final project, how might you encourage an acceptance of limits?