

Reading Aloud-Descriptive Text

The Wisdom of Smong



Smong is a traditional oral knowledge from Simeulue Island, Aceh. It means tsunami. When there is an earthquake (linon) and the sea (uek) withdraws (suruik), people know a ‘Smong’ may follow.

The elders teach children through stories and songs. In 2004, Simeulue people remembered Smong and ran to safety.

This wisdom saved thousands. It shows the strength of culture and the power of local knowledge.