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Mirrors, framed pictures, and other objects can fall off walls and hit people or shatter glass on floors. The solution depends on the weight of the object:

**Objects under 20 lbs.:**

- Place on a nail or picture hook and secure by placing earthquake putty or Velcro tabs at all four corners.

**Objects up to 50 lbs.:**

- Use a stud finder to find the closest wall stud.
- Screw closed-loop picture hanger (several types are in stores or online). This prevents the wire from jumping off the hook during strong earthquake shaking.
- For additional protection, secure the bottom corners with earthquake putty or Velcro tabs.
- Consider professional help for securing objects over 50 lbs., like wall-mounted artwork or mirrors.