



Question: What process brings rocks to the surface where they can be eroded?

Answer: Uplift

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Question: What process causes the breakdown of rocks?

Answer: Weathering

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Question: What type of rock is produced by volcanoes?

Answer: Igneous

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Question: Conglomerate is a rock made of small pebbles that are cemented together. What type of rock is this?

Answer: Sedimentary



Question: Shale is a rock made of compacted mud. What type of rock is this?

Answer: Sedimentary

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Question: A fossil is found in a piece of limestone. What type of rock is limestone?

Answer: Sedimentary

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Question: Slate used to be shale before exposure to heat and pressure. What type of rock is this?

Answer: Metamorphic

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Question: What is molten rock found underground called?

Answer: Magma



Question: What is molten rock found above ground called?

Answer: Lava

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Question: A rock is a solid mixture of crystals of one or more .

Answer: Minerals

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Question: Granite is a rock that cools and crystallizes from magma. What type of rock is this?

Answer: Igneous

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Question: What type of rock is formed from magma that cools and solidifies?

Answer: Igneous



Question: What is the process by which one rock type changes into another rock type?

Answer: Rock Cycle

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Question: What are grains or bits and pieces of rocks called?

Answer: Sediment

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Question: What is the process by which water, ice, wind and gravity drop sediments in a new location?

Answer: Deposition

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Question: Rocks are found in this earth layer.

Answer: Crust



Question: True or False: Ice can weather rock.

Answer: True

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Question: True or False: Magma and lava are the same thing.

Answer: False

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Question: True or False: Water can transport sediment.

Answer: True

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Question: True or False: Fossils can be found in igneous rocks.

Answer: False



Question: Yes or No: Can a sedimentary rock be weathered and its pieces become part of another sedimentary rock?

Answer: Yes

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Question: Pumice is a rock with a lot of "air pockets" and no noticeable crystal structures. Did it cool from magma or lava?

Answer: Lava

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Question: When a rock is buried, it may be exposed to heat and _____.

Answer: Pressure

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Question: Marble used to be limestone. What type of rock is marble?

Answer: Metamorphic



Question: Sandstone is made of compacted and cemented sand. What type of rock would sandstone be?

Answer: Sedimentary

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Question: Name a tool that a geologist would use to carefully examine the crystals of a rock

Answer: Magnifying glass (and/or microscope)

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Question: The Grand Canyon has obvious strata or layers where material has been deposited. What type of rock has this characteristic?

Answer: Sedimentary

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Question: The mass of a rock could be found with this piece of classroom lab equipment.

Answer: Triple Beam Balance



Question: The weight of a rock could be found with this piece of classroom lab equipment.

Answer: Spring Scale

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Question: The volume of a rock can be found using a graduated cylinder and what method?

Answer: Water Displacement Method

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Question: Sediment is held together by compaction and

Answer: Cementation

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Question: What is the formula for calculating the density of a rock?

Answer: Mass ÷ Volume



Question: Enchanted Rock is an uplifted dome of magma. What rock type would it be classified as?

Answer: Igneous

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Question: True or False: Minerals and rocks are the same thing.

Answer: False

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Question: What type of rock will form as the result of a volcanic eruption?

Answer: Igneous

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Question: The chemical makeup or combination of minerals that make up a rock is called its _____.

Answer: Composition



Question: What do we call a book that helps us to identify the names of specimens?

Answer: Field Guide

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Question: To metamorphose means to _____.

Answer: Change

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Question: Is a coarse-grained rock made up of large or small crystals (or grains)?

Answer: Large

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Question: Metamorphic rocks that have bands (or stripes) of different minerals are called _____.

Answer: Foliated



Question: Sediment that is removed from mountains and washed down a river or sea may eventually be deposited at the bottom of the ____.

Answer: Ocean

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Question: The volume of a rock can be found using a graduated cylinder and what method?

Answer: Water Displacement Method

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Question: Magma rises because it is less _____ than the surrounding rock.

Answer: Dense

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Question: What is the formula for calculating the density of a rock?

Answer: Mass ÷ Volume



Question: True or False: Soil is partly made of weathered rock.

Answer: True

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Question: Rock can be brought to the Earth's surface by uplift and by

Answer: Erosion of overlying rock.

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Question: The texture of _____ rocks depends on how quickly it cools.

Answer: Igneous

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Question: You find a rock made of igneous, metamorphic & sedimentary rock fragments. How would you classify it?

Answer: Sedimentary (Conglomerate)

The Rocky Road Game

Materials:

- 2 3 players
- Rock Playing Pieces
- The Playing Board
- Question Cards
- A Die

Object of the Game: This is a race board game in which players move along the path of the rock cycle. The path for *The Rocky Road Game* is divided into 3 colors corresponding to the 3 rock categories – igneous is red, sedimentary is blue, and metamorphic is green.

The Rules:

- 1. Each player selects a rock as a playing piece and places their rock on "Start."
- 2. Each player rolls the die & the player with the highest number goes first.
- 3. The questions and their answers are on the same card, so the player whose turn it is should not read their own question card. The next player on the right will be the question reader.
- 4. Once a question is read, the player has up to 30 seconds in which to answer.
- 5. If the player answers correctly before time runs out, he/she is to roll the die and advance the number of spaces indicated by the die.
- 6. If the player answers incorrectly, he/she is to roll the die and move backwards the number of spaces indicated by the die. No one moves backwards further than the "Start" space.
- 7. Next, the player to the right takes his/her turn. The question reader should also shift to the right.

Notes on the Rules:

- The object of the game is to reach "Finish" and the first player to do so wins the game. Players do NOT need to have the exact number of spaces to hit the "Finish" space.
- Each player attempts only one question per turn.
- The question reader draws cards from the top of the question pile and returns them to the bottom of the pile.
- If the player lands on a space with directions, he/she completes those directions before the next person takes his/her turn. This applies to both forward and backward movement.
- If players land on a detour space, they MUST take that path.
- At "Process Point," players can move in either direction.
- Where "Submergence Subway" and "Crystallization Crossway" intersect, players must stay on their current path and may not cross over to another path.

Variation: To enable play by the whole class, the teacher can take the role of the question reader. Students can be divided into 2 or 3 large teams. The game board can be posted or projected on the wall.