

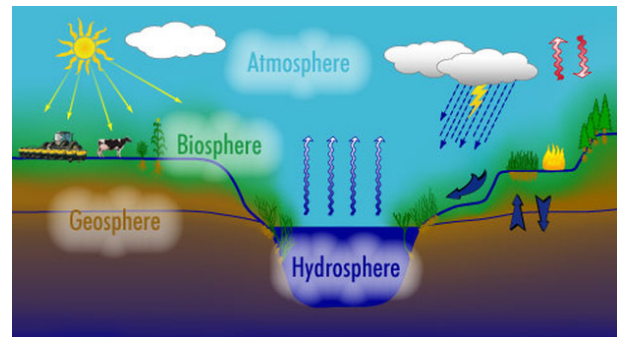
# Chapter 3

## The Dynamic Earth

### Section 1, The Geosphere

#### The Earth as a System

- The Earth is an integrated system that consists of \_\_\_\_\_ that all interact with each other.
- Scientists divided this system into four parts:
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
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  - \_\_\_\_\_



The Earth is an integrated system that consists of the geosphere, the atmosphere, the hydrosphere, and the biosphere

#### The Earth as a System

- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the mostly solid, \_\_\_\_\_ of the Earth that extends from the center of the core to the surface of the crust.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the mixture of gases that makes up the air we breathe.
- Nearly all of these gases are found in the first \_\_\_\_\_ above the Earth's surface.

#### The Earth as a System

- The **hydrosphere** makes up all of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- Much of this water is in the \_\_\_\_\_, which cover nearly **three-quarters of the globe**.
- However, water is also found in the \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_, and in the \_\_\_\_\_.

#### The Earth as a System

- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the part of the Earth where life exists.
- It is a thin layer at the Earth's surface that extends from about \_\_\_\_\_ above the Earth's surface down to the \_\_\_\_\_.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is therefore made up of parts of the geosphere, the atmosphere, and the hydrosphere.

## Discovering Earth's Interior

- Scientists use \_\_\_\_\_ to learn about Earth's interior.
- Seismic waves are the same waves that travel through Earth's interior during an \_\_\_\_\_.
- A similar process would be you tapping on a melon to see if it is ripe.

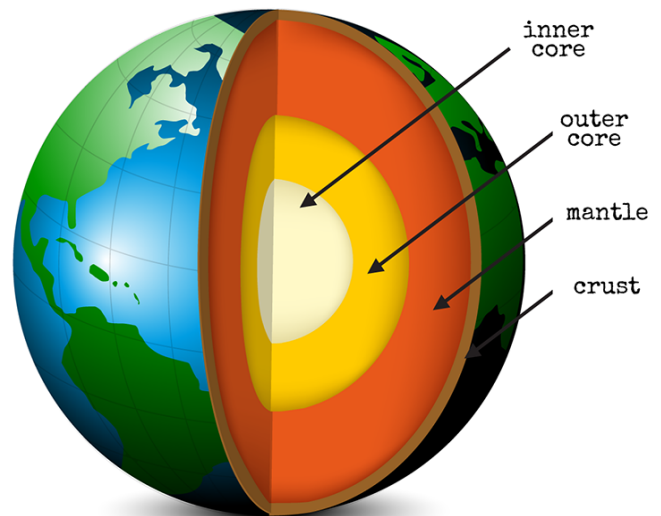
## Discovering Earth's Interior

- A seismic wave is \_\_\_\_\_ through which it travels.
- Seismologists measure changes in the \_\_\_\_\_ of seismic waves that penetrate the interior of the planet.
- With this technique, seismologists have learned that the Earth is made up of \_\_\_\_\_ and have inferred what substances make up each layer.

## The Composition of the Earth

- Scientists divide the Earth into four layers:
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_
- These layers are made up of progressively \_\_\_\_\_ material toward the center of the Earth.

## LAYERS OF THE EARTH



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## The Composition of the Earth

- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ outermost layer of the Earth above the mantle.
- It is the \_\_\_\_\_ layer, and makes up less than \_\_\_\_\_ of the planet's mass.
- It is \_\_\_\_\_ beneath the oceans and is \_\_\_\_\_ beneath the continents.

## The Composition of the Earth

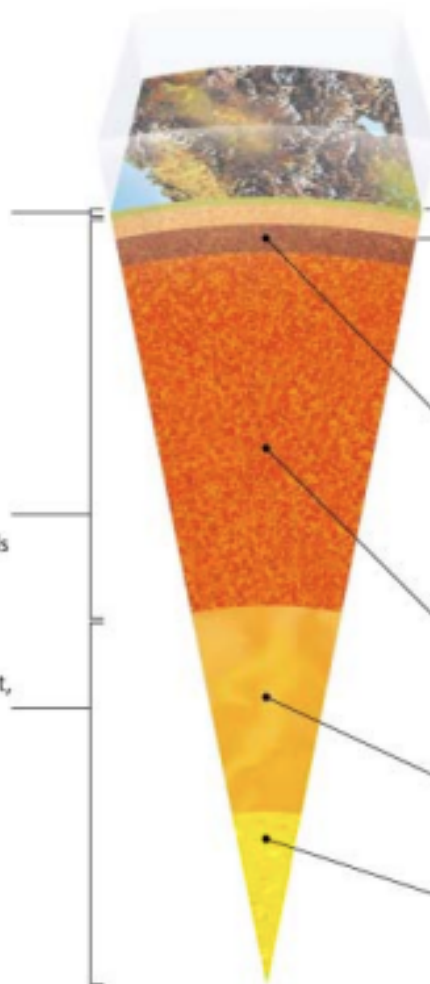
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the layer of rock between the Earth's crust and core.
- The mantle is made of \_\_\_\_\_ of medium density, and makes up \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the mass of the Earth.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the central part of the Earth below the mantle, and is composed of the \_\_\_\_\_.

**Earth's Layers based on Composition** (Listed on Left & Described above)  
**& Earth's Layers based on Structure/Physical Properties** (listed on Right & described Below)

**Crust** 5–70 km thick; the solid, brittle, outermost layer of the Earth; continental crust is thick and made of lightweight materials, whereas oceanic crust is thin and made of denser materials

**Mantle** 2,900 km thick; the layer of the Earth between the crust and the core; made of dense, iron-rich minerals

**Core** 3,428 km radius; a sphere of hot, dense nickel and iron at the center of the Earth



**Figure 3 ▶ Earth's Layers**  
 Scientists divide the Earth into different layers based on composition and physical properties.

**Lithosphere** 15–300 km thick; the cool, rigid, outermost layer of the Earth; consists of the crust and the rigid, uppermost part of the mantle; divided into huge pieces called tectonic plates, which move around on top of the asthenosphere and can have both continental and oceanic crust

**Asthenosphere** 250 km thick; the solid, plastic layer of the mantle between the mesosphere and the lithosphere; made of mantle rock that flows very slowly, which allows tectonic plates to move on top of it

**Mesosphere** 2,550 km thick; the "middle sphere"; the lower layer of the mantle between the asthenosphere and the outer core

**Outer Core** 2,200 km thick; the outer shell of Earth's core; made of liquid nickel and iron

**Inner Core** 1,228 km radius; a sphere of solid nickel and iron at the center of the Earth

**The Structure of the Earth**

- The Earth can be divided into \_\_\_\_\_ layers based on the physical properties of each layer.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Earth that consists of the crust and the rigid upper part of the mantle.
- It is a cool, rigid layer that is 15 km to 300 km thick and is divided into huge pieces called \_\_\_\_\_.

**The Structure of the Earth**

- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the mantle beneath the lithosphere.
- It is made of \_\_\_\_\_ that flows slowly, which allows \_\_\_\_\_.
- Beneath the asthenosphere is the \_\_\_\_\_, the lower part of the mantle.

**The Structure of the Earth**

- The Earth's \_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_ layer.



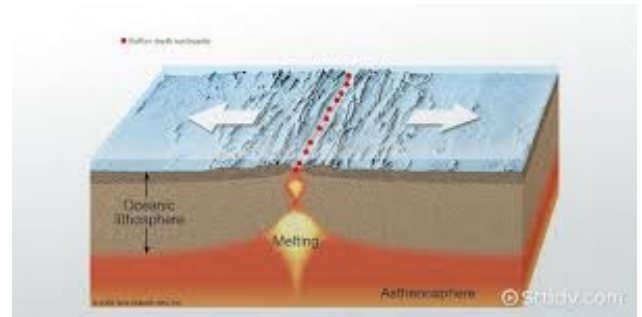


## Divergent Boundaries:

- A \_\_\_\_\_ occurs when two tectonic plates \_\_\_\_\_ each other.
- Along these boundaries, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are common.

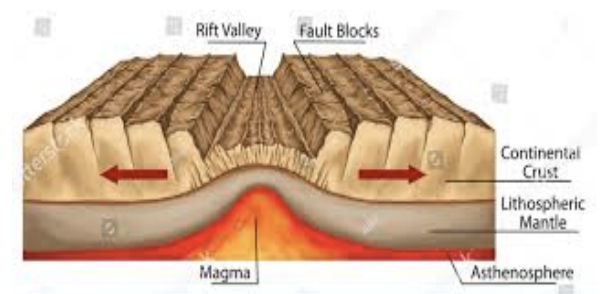
## Mid-Ocean Ridges

- Under the Ocean- \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ from the Earth's mantle to the surface, solidifying to create \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.



## Rift Valleys

- Within Continents divergent boundaries initially produce rifts (like a \_\_\_\_\_ or tear in the Earth), which eventually become \_\_\_\_\_.
- An Example would be the \_\_\_\_\_ in Africa.

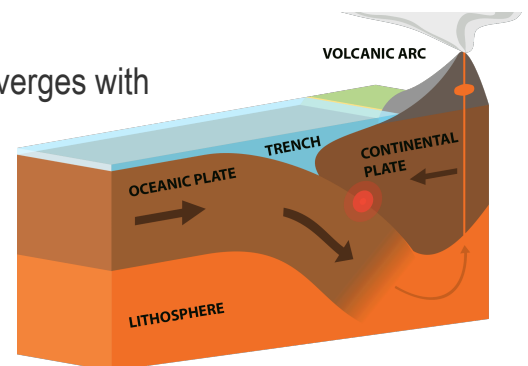


## Convergent Boundaries:

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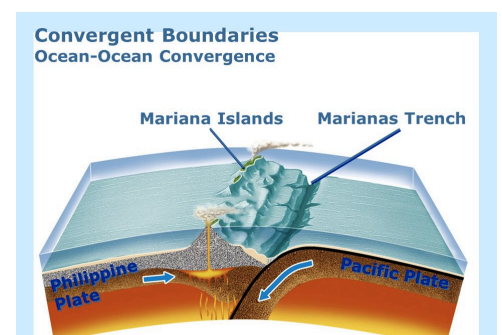
### Ocean-Continent convergence (Subduction)

- When \_\_\_\_\_ converges with \_\_\_\_\_, the denser oceanic plate \_\_\_\_\_ the continental plate and melts.
- This process, called \_\_\_\_\_, occurs at the \_\_\_\_\_. The entire region is known as a subduction zone.
- \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ form at subduction zones.
- An example of these is in the \_\_\_\_\_ in South America



### Ocean-Ocean convergence (Subduction)

- When a convergent boundary occurs \_\_\_\_\_, the older, more dense of those plates will \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_

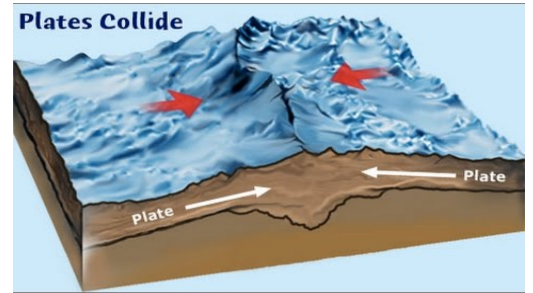


other and \_\_\_\_\_.

- This process forms the deepest of the \_\_\_\_\_ such as found at the \_\_\_\_\_ in the South Pacific Ocean
- It will also form \_\_\_\_\_.

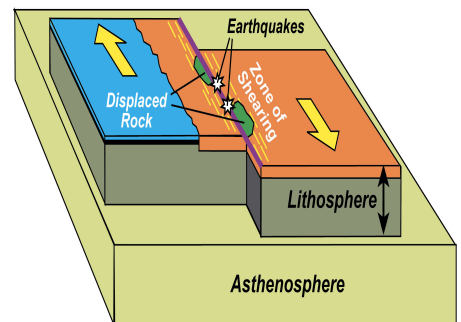
### Continent-Continent convergence

- Continental crust is \_\_\_\_\_ (light) \_\_\_\_\_.
- When two continental plates converge, they \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- The amazing \_\_\_\_\_ are the result of this type of convergent plate boundary.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ resulted from \_\_\_\_\_ convergence when \_\_\_\_\_.



### Transform Boundaries-Slide past

- **Transform boundaries** are places where plates \_\_\_\_\_.
- At transform boundaries lithosphere is \_\_\_\_\_.
- Many transform boundaries are found on the \_\_\_\_\_, where they connect segments of diverging mid-ocean ridges.
- California's \_\_\_\_\_ is a transform boundary.
- \_\_\_\_\_ are very common here.



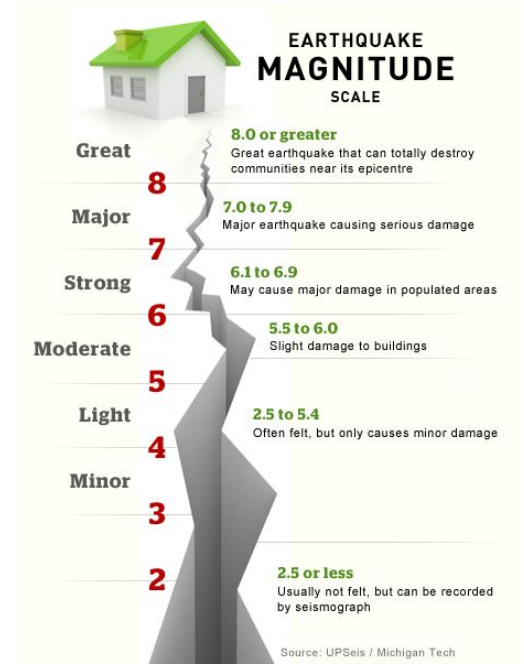
### Earthquakes

- A \_\_\_\_\_ is a break in the Earth's crust along which \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ relative to one another.
- When \_\_\_\_\_ that are \_\_\_\_\_ along a fault, a series of ground vibrations, known as \_\_\_\_\_, is set off.
- Earthquakes are occurring \_\_\_\_\_ . Many are so \_\_\_\_\_ that we cannot feel them, but some are \_\_\_\_\_ movements of the Earth's crust that \_\_\_\_\_.



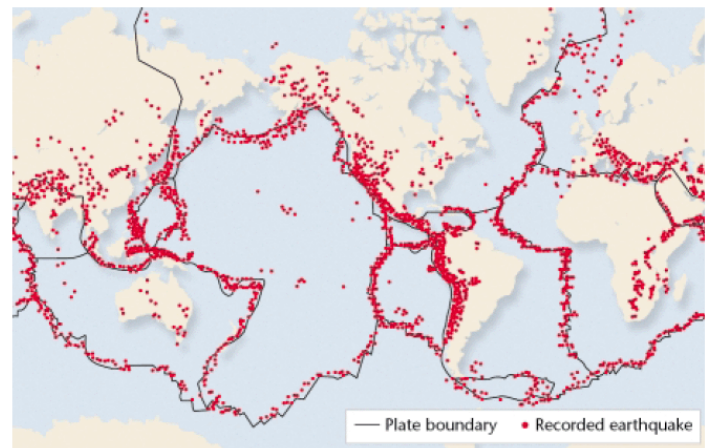
# Earthquakes

- The measure of the \_\_\_\_\_ by an earthquake is called \_\_\_\_\_.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ magnitude \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_ magnitude \_\_\_\_\_.
- Magnitudes greater than \_\_\_\_\_.
- Each increase of magnitude by \_\_\_\_\_ indicates the release of \_\_\_\_\_ times more energy than the whole \_\_\_\_\_.

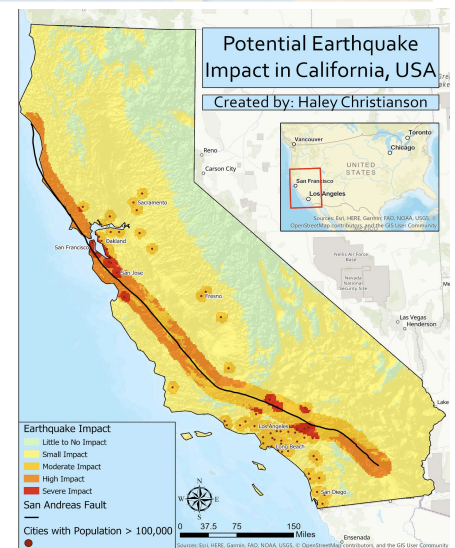


## Where do Earthquakes Occur?

- The majority of earthquakes take place \_\_\_\_\_ because of the enormous stresses that are generated \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_ each other.

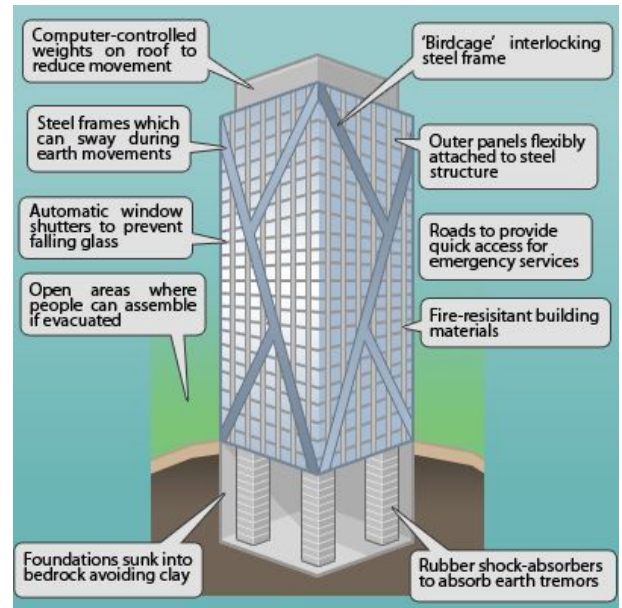


- Over the past 15 million to 20 million years, large numbers of earthquakes have occurred along the \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, where parts of the \_\_\_\_\_ plate and the \_\_\_\_\_ plate are slipping past one another.



## Earthquake Hazard

- Scientists \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ when earthquakes will take place. However, they can help provide information about \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ helping people prepare.
- An area's \_\_\_\_\_ is determined by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ seismic activity.
- \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, built in high-risk areas, are slightly \_\_\_\_\_ so that they can sway with the ground motion preventing them from collapsing.



## Volcanoes

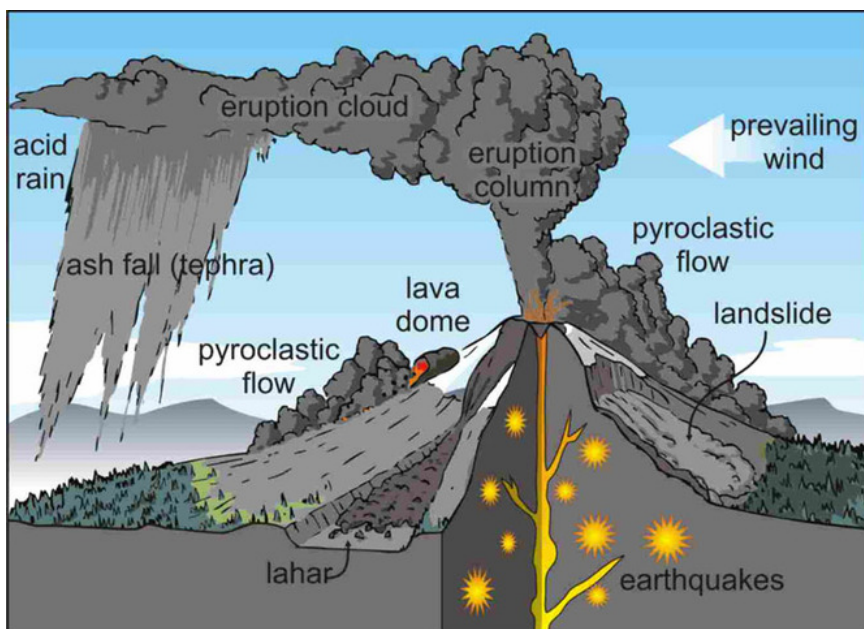
- A \_\_\_\_\_ is a mountain built from \_\_\_\_\_, or melted rock, which rises from the Earth's interior to the surface, and can occur \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- Volcanoes are often \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ where plates are either colliding or separating from one another.
- The majority of the world's \_\_\_\_\_ are located along tectonic plate boundaries that surround the \_\_\_\_\_. Called the \_\_\_\_\_.





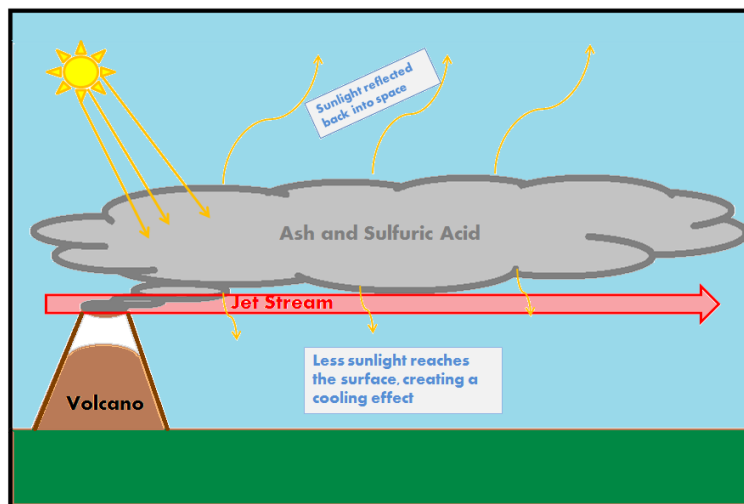
## Local Effect of Volcanic Eruptions

- \_\_\_\_\_: Clouds of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ can flow down the slope of a volcano at speeds of up to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (burn)
- \_\_\_\_\_: During an eruption, \_\_\_\_\_ can mix with \_\_\_\_\_ and produce \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ that runs downhill and solidifies around anything trapped.
- \_\_\_\_\_: ash that falls to the ground can cause \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ under its weight, \_\_\_\_\_, damage the \_\_\_\_\_ of vehicles, including \_\_\_\_\_ in flight, and cause \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.



## Global Effects of Volcanic Eruptions

- Major volcanic eruptions can \_\_\_\_\_ for several years.
- In large eruptions, clouds of \_\_\_\_\_ and sulfur rich gases may reach the \_\_\_\_\_, and spread across the planet \_\_\_\_\_ that reaches the Earth's surface.
- The reduction in sunlight can cause a \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_.

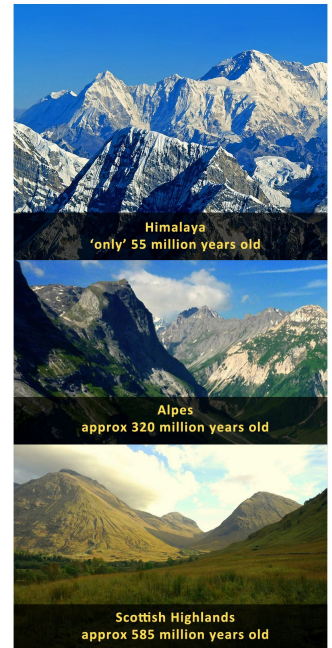




## EROSION TAKES A LOT OF TIME

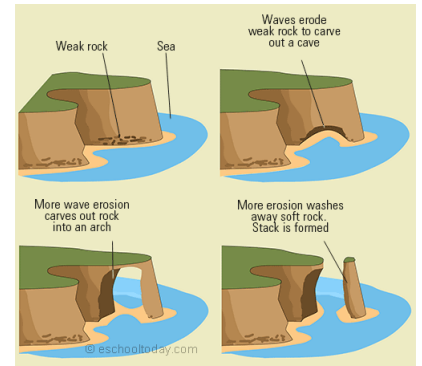
### Erosion

- The Earth's surface is continually battered by \_\_\_\_\_ and scoured by \_\_\_\_\_, which moves rocks around and \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is the process in which the materials of the Earth's surface are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_ and transported from one place to another by a natural agent, such as \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- Erosion \_\_\_\_\_ and makes them \_\_\_\_\_ as times passes. Older mountains are therefore smoother than younger ones.



### Water Erosion

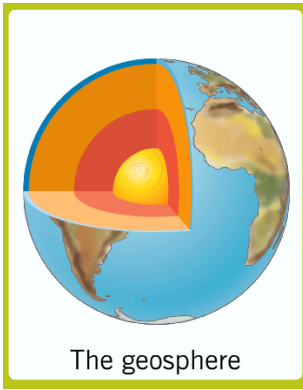
- Erosion by both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ can produce \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ from ocean storms can \_\_\_\_\_ to give rise to a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Over time, \_\_\_\_\_ can carve \_\_\_\_\_ into the \_\_\_\_\_.



### Wind Erosion

- \_\_\_\_\_ also \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the planet.
- In places where few plants grow, such as \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, wind can \_\_\_\_\_ very quickly.
- \_\_\_\_\_, such as sandstone, erode \_\_\_\_\_ than hard rocks, such as granite do.





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### Section 1 The Geosphere

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