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## THE ROCK CYCLE



Source: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Igneous\_rock#/media/File:Rocas\_Igneas.JPG

## EXAMPLES OF IGNEOUS ROCK



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#### CHEMICAL WEATHERING

#### A. Chemical Weathering

Rain water is naturally acidic. It has an average pH of 4.5.

Because it is an acid, it can react with rocks on the ground and cause them to wear away.



by burning this coal. This releases sulphur dioxide into the atmosphere.

When it rains the sulphur dioxide mixes with rain water and causes the rain to become more acidic.

This will speed up the process of chemical weathering.

The Actual formation of sedimentary rocks can take millions of years.

#### MECHANICAL/PHYSICAL WEATHERING



- 1. a. Rain water collects in the rock cracks.
  - b. When the water freezes it expands.
  - c. The force of the expanding ice causes the rock to crack further into small pieces.
- 2 a. The sun heats the surface of the rock.
  - b. The hot surface of the rock expands but the cooler inside of the rock does not expand.
  - c. The expansion of the hot rock causes the rock to crack into smaller pieces
- a. Wind disperses the plant seeds.
  - b. Plant seeds land in the cracks of rocks.
  - c. The seed germinates and starts growing.
  - d. The roots push their way into the rocks and this causes the rock to break.
- 4. a. Streams of water constantly bombarding rocks weakens the rock.
  - b. The force of water breaks pieces off the rock.
  - c. Forces of wind can also cause bit of rock to break away.

## SEDIMENTATION

#### 1. Pieces of eroded rocks settle on the sea floor



2. After time more layers of sediment settle on the sea floor and press down on the lower layers this is called compaction. This compaction forces the water out between the sediment particles

#### THE PROCESS OF SEDIMENTATION AND CEMENTATION

3. The salt from the sea water glues the sediment layers together. This is cementation and a sedimentary rock mass is formed



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## DRAKENSBERG MOUNTAINS



#### THE FORMATION OF SEDIMENTARY ROCK



#### There are two ways that Sedimentary rocks are formed:

#### Pressure:

• As layer after layer of sediments are deposited, the lower layers are pressed togther tightly under weight of layers above.

#### Cementing:

• Some sediments are glued togther by minerals dissolved in water.

Source: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Sedimentary\_rock#/media/File:Rocas\_Sedimentarias. JPG

## EXAMPLES OF SEDIMENTARY ROCKS



### A MAP SHOWING DISTRIBUTION OF MINES IN SOUTH AFRICA



Source: http://www.mstworkbooks.co.za/natural-sciences/gr9/images/gr9eb03-gd-0004.jpg

### AN OPEN CAST MINE



Source: https://commons.Wikimedia.Org/wiki/file:general\_scene\_underground\_in\_the\_virginiapocahontas\_coal\_company\_mine\_%5e3\_near\_richlands,\_virginia.\_The\_tunnel\_is...\_-Nara\_-\_556319.Tif5

## A TUNNEL IN AN UNDERGROUND MINE



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## BIG HOLE: KIMBERLEY (Historic diamond mine)



Kimberley Hole is a disused diamond mine. The first diamond was found in 1866 in the Kimberley area in which lead to a rush of prospectors to the area. The mine was closed in 1914 but not until 3 tons of diamonds had been excavated.

Kimberley hole was dug by hand. It is 240 meters deep and 463 meters wide. It is now filled with water.

Kimberley hole is part of a large volcanic pipe made of Kimberlite. Kimberlite is an igneous rock which sometimes contains diamonds. The last diamond mine in Kimberley closed in 2005 because there are no diamonds left.

Source: https://www.ft.com/content/31c218dc-f110-11e1-b7b9-00144feabdc0

#### MINING IS LABOUR INTENSIVE, DANGEROUS AND DIFFICULT



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## SUB-SURFACE MINING



## PROCESSING MINED IRON ORE



Source: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:GENERAL\_ELECTRIC\_250-HP

## PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROCESSING OF ORE



The ores can be crushed in a ball mill. Ball bearings inside the mill crush the ore.

Source: https://mrl.ies.ncsu.edu/mineral-processing-and-analytical-equipment/

#### SEPARATING MINERALS BY FLOTATION

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Floatation is a type of chemical processing and works by adding chemicals to the ores with water. This makes slurry. Air bubbles are blown through the slurry. The air molecules attach themselves to the minerals which cause them to float. The minerals can be scrapped off easily from the top.

#### A BLAST FURNACE

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Source: https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/e/eb/Clouds\_%28%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7% 87%E0%A6%98%29.jpg

## THE ATMOSPHERE

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Clouds forming in the troposphere

Source: https://qph.ec.quoracdn.net/main-qimg-0d3ab62751f4b8ae5028496e501e657

#### THE ATMOSPHERE

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Source: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Weather\_balloon#/media/File:GlobusSonda.jpg

#### THE STRATOSPHERE

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Launching a weather balloon

Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a2tPCNjFlo4

## VIEW FROM WEATHER BALLOON OF EARTH

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# **RESOURCE 27** NATURAL OZONE PRODUCTION ...to form ozone molecules. ...and causes it to split into two free oxygen atoms. "High-energy" ultraviolet radiation The free oxygen atoms collide strikes an oxygen molecule with molecules of oxygen... $\diamond$

# **RESOURCE 28** HOW OZONE IS DEPLETED / DESTROYED cause more depletion When CFC's interfere with Ozone, causing the molecules of O3 to break down into O2 and CIO. If this happens then a hole in 4. More reactions the ozone layer will appear and then harmful UV radiation travels to the surface of the Earth. Ozone 03, and destroys 3. Chlorine reacts with by industries, rises up to stratosphere 2. Sunlight breaks CFCs 1. CFCs released into envirment up, releasing Chlorine Ozone.

Source: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Meteor\_Bolide.JPG

## A METEOR IS A ROCK BURNING UP IN OUR ATMOSPHERE

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Source: https://www.nasa.gov/mission\_pages/LRO/multimedia/Iroimages/20100513\_instant.html

## EXAMPLE OF AN IMPACT METEOR CRATER

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![](_page_31_Figure_0.jpeg)

Adapted from https://www.thoughtco.com/the-creation-story-700209

#### THE THERMOSPHERE

THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION ORBITS EARTH IN THE THERMOSPHERE

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SOURCE: https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/4/41/Space\_Shuttle\_Columbia\_launching. jpg

## NASA LAUNCHING A SPACE ROCKET

![](_page_33_Picture_3.jpeg)

The space shuttle Colombia being launched into space

SOURCE: https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/7/71/STEREO\_Panels\_Deploy\_Vision. jpgCE:

## SATELLITES ORBITING EARTH

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Satellites orbit the Earth in the Thermosphere. They constantly transmit radio waves back to the Earth so we can receive radio and TV signals. Because the Earth is round, signals cannot be transmitted over long distances. Using satellites allows signals to be sent and received instantly.

This is why you can watch Manchester United playing Barcelona from Spain whilst you are in South Africa. This is also why you can watch Ajax Cape Town playing MamelodiSundowns from the FNB Stadium in Johannesburg if you are in Umtata.

These satellites also transmit cell phone signals. So, if you wanted to, you could ring your brother who is studying in the USA

SOURCE: https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/3/35/Nordlys\_2007-13-feb\_6.jp

## THE AURORA BOREALIS – THE NORTHERN LIGHTS

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SOURCE: https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/6/6e/Veil\_Nebula\_-\_NGC6960.jpg

#### NEBULA

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SOURCE: https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/8/83/PIA18928-Protostar-HOPS383-20150323.jpg

#### PROTOSTAR

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SOURCE: https://media1.britannica.com/eb-media/51/139551-004-426EB515.jpg

#### THE COLOURS OF STARS

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