



The Rock Cycle



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What happens during the rock cycle?

The rock cycle is the series of natural events that cause a rock to change form over time, from igneous to sedimentary to metamorphic.

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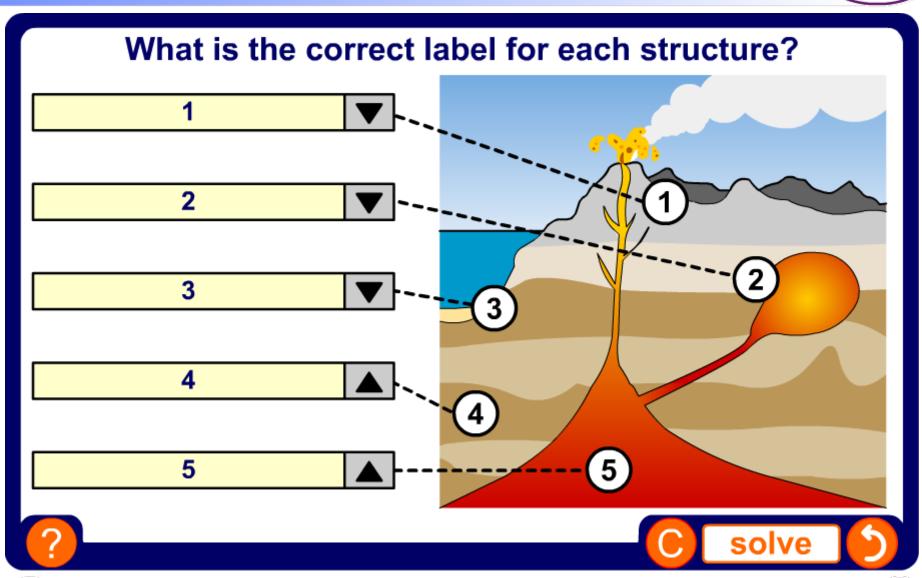




The rock cycle: in words











The rock cycle: summary





Complete these sentences about the rock cycle

- When molten magma _____ on or close to the surface of the Earth, _____ rocks are formed.
- Rocks on the Earth's surface are broken down by _____ that involves _____, chemical and biological processes.
- 3a. The fragments of rock are ______ to the



solidifies weathering transported sedimentary



solve





Find the rock





Match the descriptions to the rock types

Solidified very quickly, trapping lots of gas in bubbles

Formed from limestone by heat and pressure

Solidified slowly below ground, so contains large crystals

Formed on the sea floor from dead sea creatures

Formed from clay minerals under low heat and pressure

pumice

chalk

slate

marble

granite











Which type of rock am I?





Igneous, sedimentary or metamorphic rocks?

- **1.** Formed by heat and pressure.
- **2.** Contain many fossils.
- **3.** Contain some really big crystals.
- **4.** Do not contain any fossils.
- **5.** Contain small grains, "cemented" together.
- **6.** Have regular layers, which may be wavy.

igneous

sedimentary

metamorphic







