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What lies beneath us?

Rocks

igneous rock	rock formed from magma or lava	
sedimentary rock	rock formed when layers of sedi- ment have been pressed down hard and stick together.	
metamor- phic rock	rock that started out as igneous or sedimentary rock but it changed due to being exposed to extreme heat or pressure.	
magma	molten rock which remains under- ground	
lava	molten rock that comes out of the ground	
sediment	natural, solid material that is moved and dropped off in a new place by water or wind	
permeable	allows liquid to pass through it	
impermea- ble	does not allow liquids to pass through it	
durable	able to withstand pressure or damage	
erosion	soil and rock is removed from one area of the Earth through natural causes such as wind, water, and ice and transported elsewhere	

Natural Rocks			Human-Made
Igneous	Sedimentary	Metamorphic	Rocks
Obsidian	Chalk	Marble	Brick
Granite	Sandstone	Quartzite	Concrete
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Basalt	Limestone	Slate	Coade Stone

Fossils

When an animal or plant dies, it usually decays quickly or can be eaten. However, sometimes it is covered in sediments, which eventually become rock. Only hard parts of the creature remains. Over thousand or millions of years,

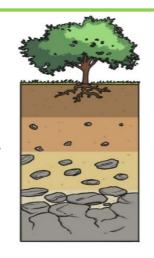
sediment might enter the mould to make a cast fossil.

As erosion and weathering takes place, eventually, the fossils become exposed.



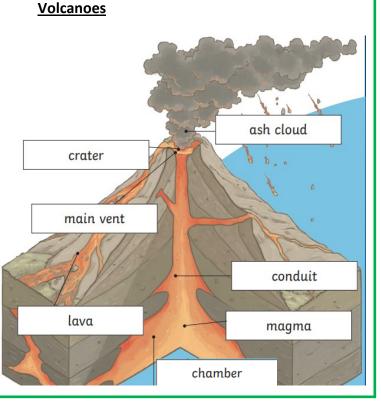
Soil

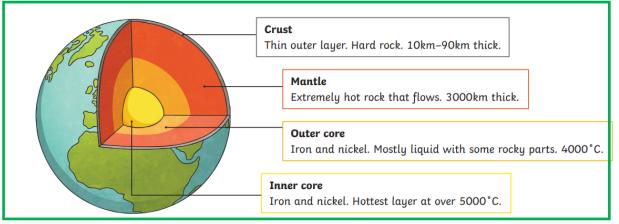
Soil is the uppermost layer of the Earth. It is a mixture of different materials, such as minerals, air, water, rock and organic matter.



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- Volcanoes are made when pressure builds up inside the earth. This affects the earth's crust causing magma to sometimes erupt through it.
- Active <u>volcanoes</u> have erupted in the last 10 000 years.
- Dormant volcanoes haven't erupted in the last 10 000 years but may erupt again.
- Extinct volcanoes aren't expected to erupt again.





Volcanoes and Earthquakes

Key Vocabulary		
erupt	to suddenly burst out causing lava to explode out of the earth's surface	
magma	extremely hot, liquid rock	
tectonic plates	the earth's crust is made up of large areas called tectonic plates that join together.	
crust	the outer layer of the planet's core.	
mantle	the mostly-solid bulk of Earth's interior.	
core	a huge metal ball at the centre of the earth. It is 2,500km wide and 5,000°C to 6,000°C hot.	
extinct	no longer alive	
dormant	asleep	

Earthquakes

 Earthquakes are caused when the earth's tectonic plates suddenly move.



- Most earthquakes occur near the tectonic plate boundaries.
- Earthquakes can cause lots of damage to roads, buildings and property.

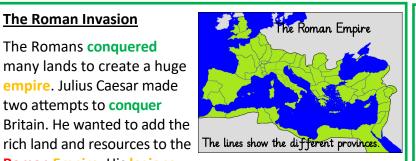




The Romans

The Roman Invasion

The Romans conquered many lands to create a huge empire. Julius Caesar made two attempts to conquer Britain. He wanted to add the



Roman Empire. His legions

weren't able to overcome the Celts in 55 BC, but some leaders did pay tributes so the Romans would leave.

In AD 43, Emperor Claudius launched a third attack on Britain. He sent a powerful and well organised army to conquer the Celtic tribes. The Roman conquest of AD 43 brought an end to the Iron Age in Britain.

Roman Britain

The Roman army are famous for building long, straight roads. Special engineers planned these roads and they criss-crossed



the whole Roman Empire. They boosted trade, communication with the **Emperor** and helped the **legions** to keep control of all the different provinces. The Romans built new towns all over Britain joined by these roads. Wealthy Romans and some Celts built homes called villas. Burwell Castle was built on the site of a former Roman villa.

Key Vocabulary

people living in Britain in tribes, including the Iceni, Brigantes and Catu-

vellaun

citizen a person with all the rights of a nation

conquer taking control of a place by force,

often with an army

emperor the ruler of an empire

empire a group of countries controlled by

one ruler (emperor or empress) or

government

legion a large section of the Roman army,

made up of around 5000 soldiers

the regions outside Italy controlled by province

a Roman governor that were part of The Roman Empire and had to pay a

tribute

Roman the name used for the land that was Empire controlled by the Romans, including

large parts of Europe plus parts of

North Africa and West Asia

tribe a group of people who share the

same culture and values.

tribute a tax paid by the people who were

part of The Roman Empire to the

Romans

a rebellion or revolt by people who uprising want to challenge what they believe

is unfair treatment by rulers.

villa a large home in the countryside built by

the Romans

The Roman Army vs The Celts

The brilliance of the Roman army was the key to Rome's success in building its empire. The army's legions were made up of Romans who were not allowed to be married, whilst they were in the army. Non-Romans could join the army as an auxiliary. Auxiliaries often had special skills such as horse riding and archery.

The auxiliary soldiers would become Roman citizens when they retired.

The Celts were fierce warriors. They did not have an army but each tribe fought by itself. The Celts did not wear armour and instead often fought naked and painted their bodies with blue patterns to frighten their enemies. Boudicca was queen of the Iceni tribe and brandished a weapon as she rode a chariot. Boudicca hated the Romans and united together 120,000 Celts from many different tribes in an uprising against the Roman Empire.



