

Word Bank: Earth Science

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Here are some of the terms students need to know about earth science.

Choose the words that your class will learn. Add more words, too.

The Earth	Building Blocks	Landforms	Technology	Careers
bedrock continental drift continental shelf crust core earthquake erosion lava magma mantle molten top soil plate tectonics soil sediment	clay soil cement clay coal diamond feldspar granite graphite lead limestone mineral marble metals pumice quartz sand sandstone	crater elevation fault mountains glacier landfills plateau topographic map valley volcano	fossil fuel Geiger counter geologic map geologic scale geothermal energy petroleum seismograph strip mining	geologist paleontologist seismologist surveyor engineer

To "bank" a word, students should demonstrate that they really know what it means.

These demonstrations can include:

- writing a definition
- giving a specific example
- finding the word used in a book
- drawing a picture that shows what the word means