

Rock Cycle Vocabulary (8)

1	cycle	a sequence of events that is repeated again and again
2	sedimentary rock	A rock made of bits of matter joined together; rock that contains fossils
3	igneous rock	Rock formed when melted rock material cools and hardens
4	metamorphic	A rock formed under heat and pressure from another kind of rock
5	magma	Hot, molten rock deep below Earth's surface.
6	lava	Magma that reaches Earth's surface.
7	volcano	a vent in the earth's crust from which melted or hot rock and steam come out
8	tectonic plates	a segment of the Earth's crust that moves relative to other segments
9	pressure	the applying of a firm regular weight or force against something
10	formation	a unit of rock consisting of a succession of strata or igneous rock
11	weathering	a process that breaks down rocks
12	soil	a resource composed of rock and mineral fragments, humus, air, and water