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Rocks and Minerals

1. The outer layer of the earth which is composed of soil and rock.	A. Erosion
2. Processes by which wind, water, and ice wear down and carry away the rock or soil on the earths surface.	B. Nutrients
3. A scientist who studies the struture of the earth and its history.	C. Metamorphic
4. A rock formed from molten rock.	D. Crust
5. Hot liquid rock that reaches the earths surface.	E. Lava
6. A changed rock as a result of extreme heat and pressure over a long period of time.	F. Sedimentary
7. Any pure natural substance found in rocks.	G. Soil
8. Minerals for plant growth.	H. Geologist
9. A naturally occurring solid of the earths crust consisting of two or more minerals in various proportions.	I. Mineral
10. A rock formed from compressed sediments.	J. Igneous
11. Particles of rocks and minerals mixed with organic material.	K. Rocks