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Chapter 9 Minerals of the Earth's Crust

Vocabulary: Number and define each term below in a complete sentence on a separate sheet of paper. (Illustrate those with a *)

Crystal*	Cleavage*	density*	Double Refraction*
Fluorescence	Hardness	Inorganic*	Luster*
Mineral	Mineralogist	Mohs Hardness Scale	Nonsilicate mineral
Phosphorescence	Refraction*	Rock-Forming Mineral	Silicate Mineral
Streak	Silicon-oxygen Tetrahedra		

8.1 What is a Mineral?

A. Definition of a mineral:

1. _____ - not made of living things or the remains of living things
2. _____ - formed in the Earth; not synthesized by humans
3. _____ - has a definite shape and volume
4. _____ - is a single element or compound; can write a chemical formula to describe it
5. _____ - orderly internal arrangement of atoms

B. Types of Minerals

1. How many mineral have been identified, how many are common?
-Over _____ minerals have been identified, but fewer than _____ are common and are called rock-forming minerals
2. Silicate Minerals
-Contain atoms of _____ and _____, make up 96% of the Earth's crust
-Two examples of silicates: Feldspar and _____ make up 50% of the crust
3. What are _____ minerals classified into?
-Carbonates, Halides, Native Elements, Oxides, Sulfate, and Sulfides
-Ex: see page 158, table 9.1

C. Crystalline Structure

1. How do crystals form?
-Crystals form when liquid rock (magma or lava) cools, depending on the conditions that existed determines the _____
-The longer it has to form, the larger the crystal
 - a. Slow cooling forms large or _____ crystals
 - b. Fast cooling forms small or _____ crystals
 - c. Very fast cooling forms no crystals or a _____ texture
2. What is similar about all silicate minerals based on their crystal structure?
-Their crystalline structure is made up of the same building blocks consisting of four _____ arranged in a pyramid with one _____ atom in the center—called a _____
3. What are the four types of silicon-oxygen tetrahedras?
-Single chain _____

- Double chain- _____
- Sheets- _____
- Network silicates- _____

9.2 Identifying Minerals

A. Minerals have certain physical properties that can be used to identify them

1. Color- only good for a few minerals, because so many are different colors
 Ex. _____ is always green, _____ is always blue, Quartz comes in many colors, _____ is always yellow
 -Not a reliable test!- _____ looks just like gold (called fools gold)
2. Luster- describe the way a mineral reflects light from its surface,
 -luster is usually described as _____ (iron, gold, silver, pyrite) or _____ (doesn't reflect much light, not 'shiny')
 -Quartz's luster would be described as _____
 -Micas have a _____ luster
 -Diamonds have a _____ luster
 -Minerals that lack any shine are considered _____
3. Streak- the color of _____ off a mineral, the streak may differ from the actual color of a mineral making it an excellent tool in identifying some minerals
 -ex. _____ can be gray, green or black but always reddish-brown streak, metallic minerals generally have a dark streak
4. Cleavage and Fracture- describes the way a mineral _____ surfaces. If a mineral doesn't break along a smooth surface then it is known to fracture,
 -a rough surface is called _____
 -a broken surface that looks like wood is called _____
 -curved surfaces on a fractured mineral are called _____
 -example halite always breaks in _____ and mica along one surface.
 -tetrahedral sheets such as mica break into _____
5. Hardness- the ability of a mineral to resist being scratched, a very useful tool.
 - _____ developed a scale of hardness for minerals; the lowest value was assigned to the softest mineral while the hardest mineral has a value of 10 (_____)

-Mohs Hardness Scale

Mineral	Hardness
Talc	1
Gypsum	2
Calcite	3
Fluorite	4
Apatite	5
Feldspars	6
Quartz	7
Topaz	8
Corundum	9
Diamond	10

-The hardness of a mineral is largely determined by the strength of the _____ that make up its internal structure

-Both a diamond and graphite are made up exclusively of _____, diamond has a hardness of 10 due to the carbon atom forming a strong crystal structure with four other carbon atoms, graphite is arranged in layers that held together by weak forces

6. Crystal Shape- the way atoms or molecules come together determines the mineral's crystal shape. There are six basic shapes: _____

_____ (see page 166)

7. Density- is the amount of matter in a given space, the density of a mineral is always the same, galena will always be more dense than a piece of quartz the same size

-Formula: _____, measured in grams per cubic centimeter

B. Special Properties of Minerals

1. Magnetism- certain minerals, especially magnetite, have magnetic properties that easily make them identifiable

2. Fluorescence - Calcite usually is white but under fluorescence light it appears red by absorbing _____

3. Phosphorescence –when a mineral continues to glow after being exposed to _____

4. Double Refraction- when light rays are bent while going through transparent material refraction occurs

-Calcite produces double refraction making a _____

5. _____-some minerals have unstable nuclei due causing them to release particles and energy- ex. Uranium and Radium

5. Chemical Reactions- _____ reacts with HCl (Hydrochloric Acid)