

Unit 6 – Lesson Rocks and Soil

Select the words in the box to fill in the blanks. Each word can be used more than once.

minerals	soil
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1. Rocks are different when they are made of different_____.
2. Some_____ make rocks hard.
3. Tiny bits of rock, dead plants, and animals make up_____.
4. Most plants do not grow well in clay_____.

What are rocks?

This photo shows some of the kinds of rocks on Earth. Each picture has a word beneath it that tells about the rock.

Rocks			
			
quartz	pumice	chalk	granite
			
sandstone	marble	obsidian	limestone

1. How many kinds of rocks are in the photos?
How can you tell?

Circle the best answer for each question.

1. **How are all rocks alike?**

They are the same color.

They are made of minerals.

They feel very smooth.

2. **Where can people find soil?**

inside big rocks

in the top layer of earth

on top of water

3. **What gives soil its color?**

drops of water

the hot, desert Sun

dead plants and minerals