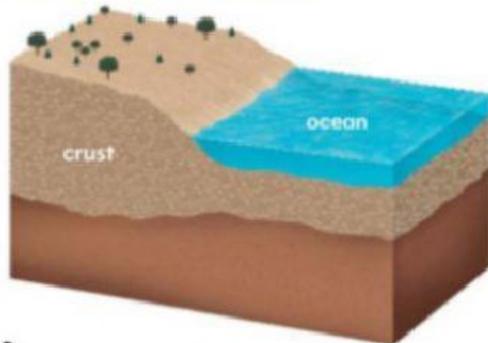


# What Causes Earthquakes?

Earth's surface is called the crust. It has interesting properties. It feels like one solid piece. But it is made up of broken pieces called plates.

This diagram shows Earth's crust on land and under the oceans.



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More earthquakes happen where two plates meet. The lines show the outlines of the plates.

## Plates

We can't feel it. But these plates move. They move slowly. They slide. They pull away from each other. This can make chunks of rock explode. This causes shock waves.

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1. The repeated words in the text are.....
  - A. Plates, explode
  - B. Plates, crust
  - C. Plates, crust, earthquakes
2. Look at the **heading**. What is the **topic** of the text?
  - A. Plates
  - B. Earthquakes
  - C. Crusts
3. What is NOT important detail in the text?
  - A. The crust consists of some plates that move.
  - B. The plates pull away from each other.
  - C. The sliding plates cause a shock wave.
  - D. None of the previous answers