

Weathering and Erosion

Some natural forces that change the earth are weathering and erosion.

Weathering is the breaking up or wearing away of rocks by **water, air (wind), ice and living things**. These are called agents of weathering.

Erosion is the moving of weathered rocks and soil from one place to another by **moving water, wind or ice (glaciers)**. Erosion can cause mountains and hills to be worn down to become flat lands and can also cause scratches, grooves and basins to be formed on the Earth's surface.

Before



After



Example of weathering



Example of Erosion