

Lecture Outlines PowerPoint

Chapter 3

Earth Science, 12e

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***Earth Science,
12e***

***Rocks: Materials of
the Solid Earth***

Chapter 3



Rock cycle

- ❖ Shows the interrelationships among the three rock types
- ❖ Earth as a system: the **rock cycle**
 - **Magma**
 - Crystallization
 - **Igneous rock**
 - Weathering, transportation, and deposition



Rock cycle

❖ Earth as a system: the rock cycle

- **Sediment**
 - Lithification
- **Sedimentary rock**
 - Metamorphism
- **Metamorphic rock**
 - Melting
- **Magma**

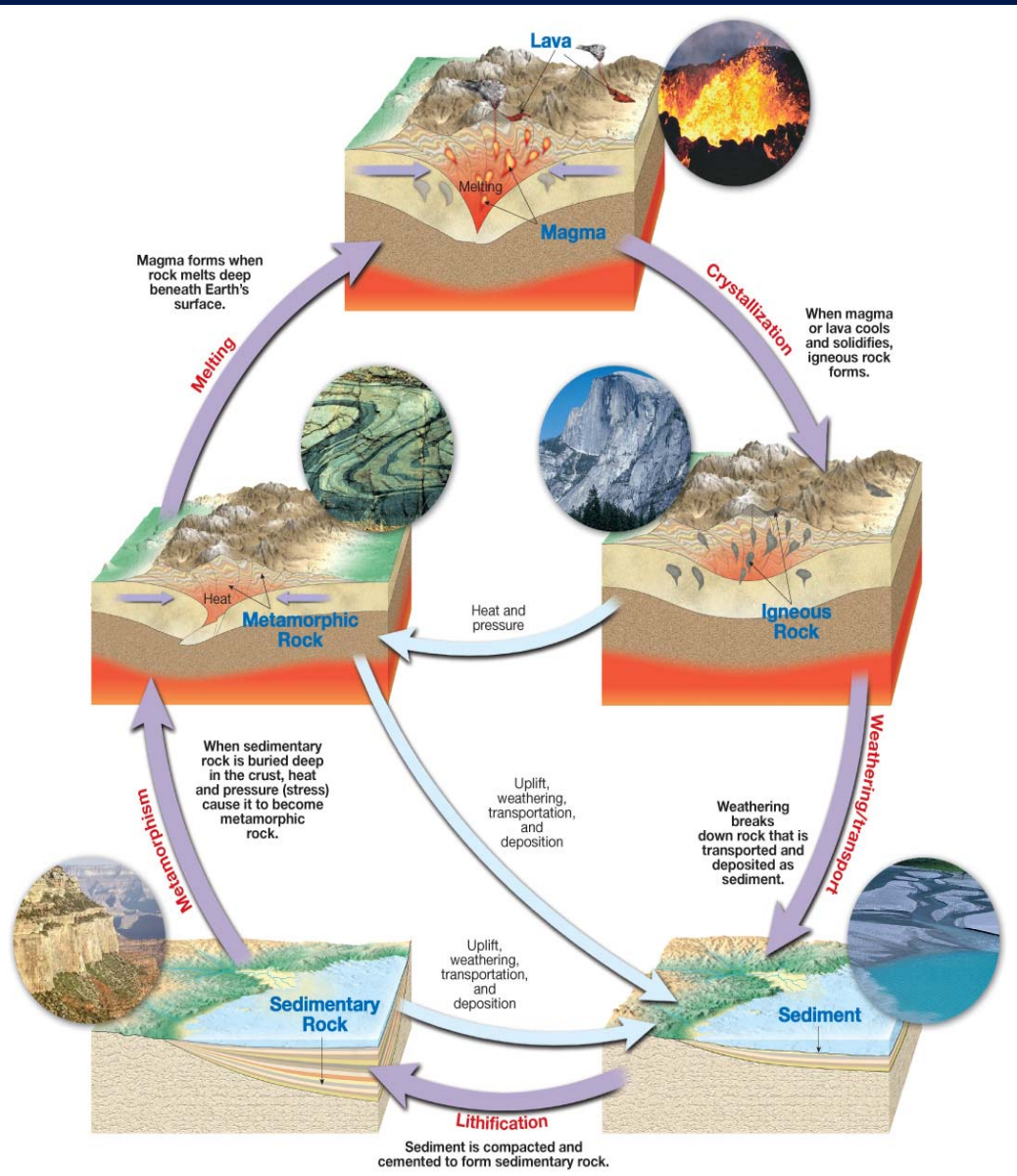


Rock cycle

❖ Earth as a system: the rock cycle

- Full cycle does not always take place due to “shortcuts” or interruptions
 - e.g., Sedimentary rock melts
 - e.g., Igneous rock is metamorphosed
 - e.g., Sedimentary rock is weathered
 - e.g., Metamorphic rock weathers





The rock cycle

Figure 3.2

Igneous rocks

- ❖ Form as magma cools and crystallizes
 - Rocks formed inside Earth are called **plutonic** or **intrusive** rocks
 - Rocks formed on the surface
 - Formed from **lava** (a material similar to magma, but without gas)
 - Called **volcanic** or **extrusive** rocks



Igneous rocks

❖ Crystallization of magma

- Ions are arranged into orderly patterns
- Crystal size is determined by the rate of cooling
 - Slow rate forms large crystals
 - Fast rate forms microscopic crystals
 - Very fast rate forms glass



Igneous rocks

❖ Classification is based on the rock's texture and mineral constituents

- **Texture**

- Size and arrangement of crystals

- Types

- **Fine-grained** – fast rate of cooling

- **Coarse-grained** – slow rate of cooling

- **Porphyritic** (two crystal sizes) – two rates of cooling

- **Glassy** – very fast rate of cooling



Fine-grained igneous texture



A. Fine-grained

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Figure 3.5 A

Coarse-grained igneous texture

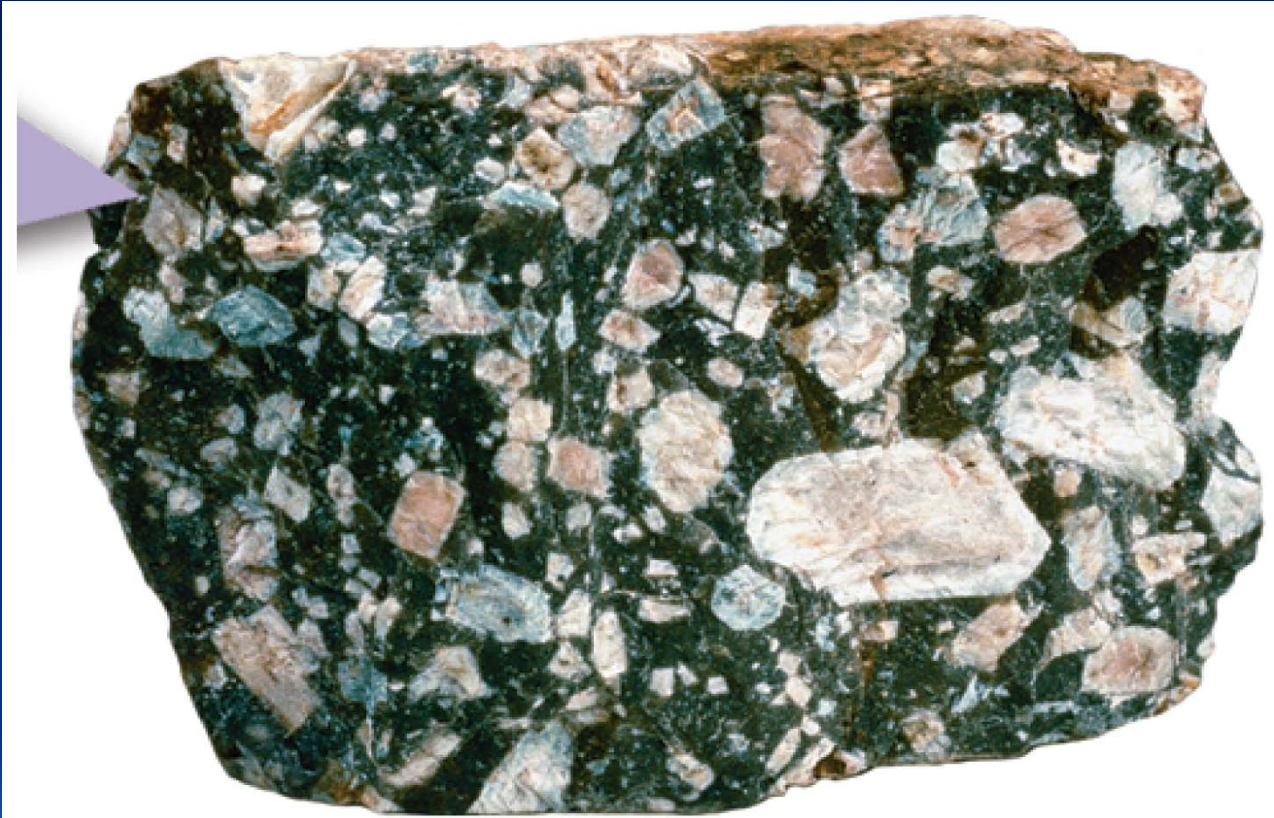


B. Coarse-grained

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Figure 3.5 B

Porphyritic igneous texture

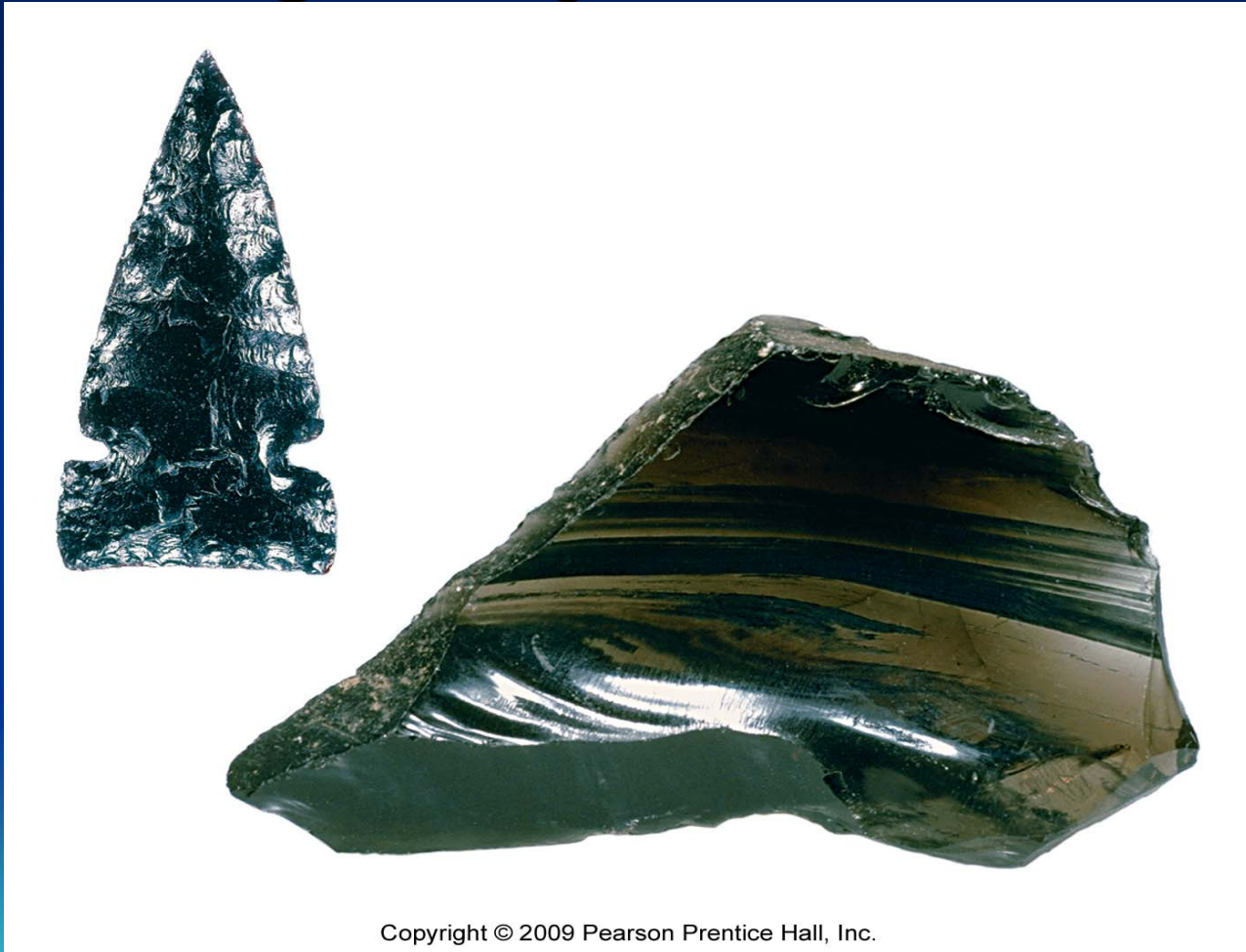


D. Porphyritic

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Figure 3.5 D

Obsidian exhibits a glassy texture



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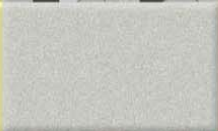



Figure 3.7

Igneous rocks

- ❖ Classification is based on the rock's texture and mineral constituents
 - Mineral composition
 - Explained by **Bowen's reaction series** which shows the order of mineral crystallization
 - Influenced by crystal settling in the magma



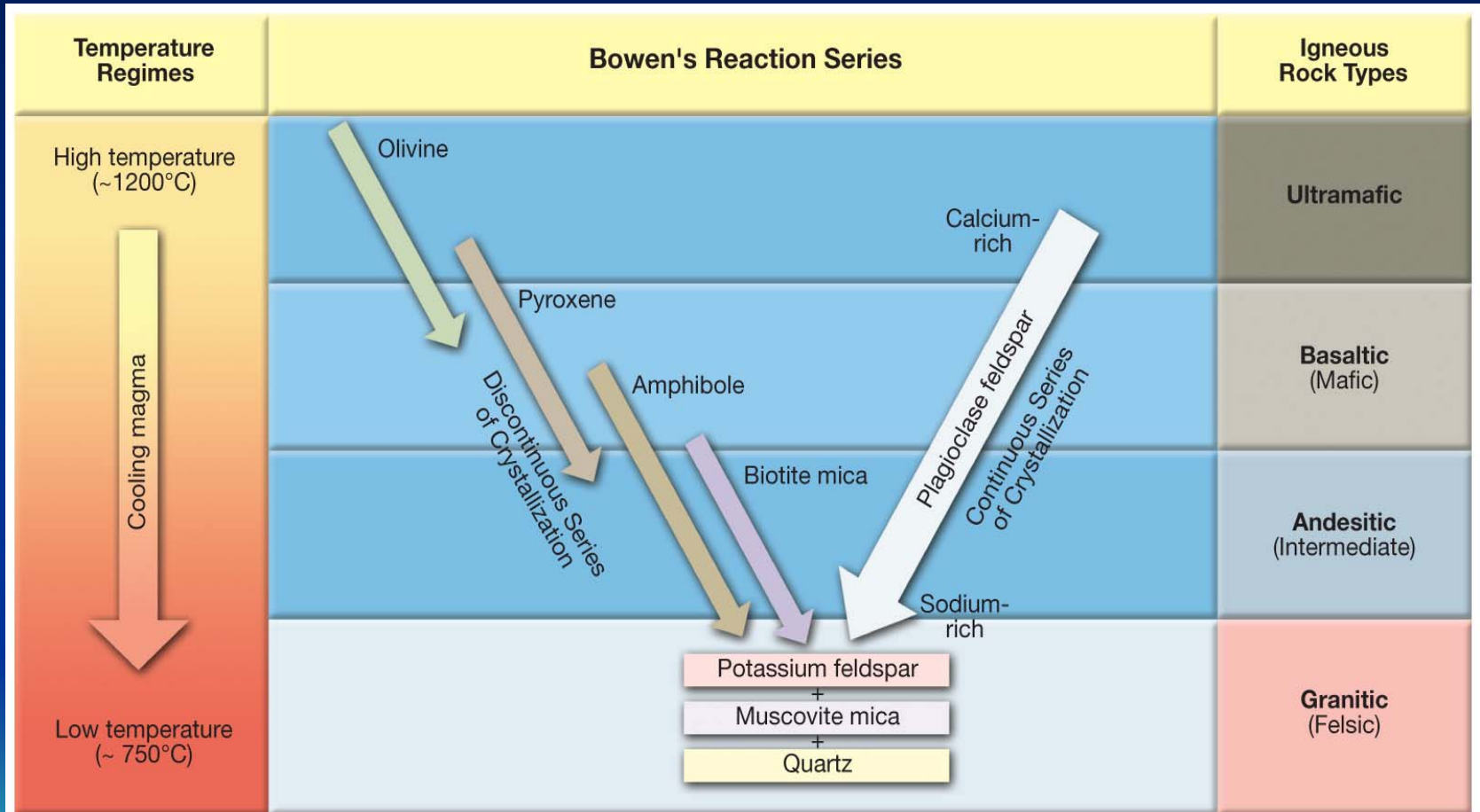
Classification of igneous rocks

Chemical Composition		Granitic (Felsic)	Andesitic (Intermediate)	Basaltic (Mafic)	Ultramafic	
Dominant Minerals		Quartz Potassium feldspar Sodium-rich plagioclase feldspar	Amphibole Sodium- and calcium-rich plagioclase feldspar	Pyroxene Calcium-rich plagioclase feldspar	Olivine Pyroxene	
TEXTURE	Coarse-grained		Granite	Diorite	Gabbro	Peridotite
	Fine-grained		Rhyolite	Andesite	Basalt	Komatiite (rare)
	Porphyritic		"Porphyritic" precedes any of the above names whenever there are appreciable phenocrysts			Uncommon
	Glassy		Obsidian (compact glass) Pumice (frothy glass)			
Rock Color (based on % of dark minerals)		0% to 25%	25% to 45%	45% to 85%	85% to 100%	
						

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Figure 3.9

Bowen's reaction series



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Figure 3.13

Igneous rocks

❖ Naming igneous rocks

- **Granitic rocks**
 - Composed almost entirely of light-colored silicates – quartz and feldspar
 - Also referred to as **felsic**: *f*eldspar and *s*ilica (quartz)
 - High silica content (about 70 percent)
 - Common rock is **granite**



Granite



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Figure 3.11

Igneous rocks

❖ Naming igneous rocks

- **Basaltic rocks**
 - Contain substantial dark silicate minerals and calcium-rich plagioclase feldspar
 - Also referred to as **mafic**: *m*agnesium and *f*errum (iron)
 - Common rock is **basalt**



Basalt



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Figure 3.11

Igneous rocks

❖ Naming igneous rocks

- Other compositional groups
 - **Andesitic** (or intermediate)
 - **Ultramafic**



Sedimentary rocks

- ❖ Form from **sediment** (weathered products)
- ❖ About 75 percent of all rock outcrops on the continents
- ❖ Used to reconstruct much of Earth's history
 - Clues to past environments
 - Provide information about sediment transport
 - Rocks often contain fossils



Sedimentary rocks

❖ Economic importance

- Coal
- Petroleum and natural gas
- Sources of iron and aluminum



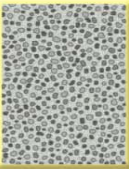




Sedimentary rocks

❖ Classifying sedimentary rocks

- Two groups based on the source of the material
 - **Detrital rocks**
 - Material is solid particles
 - Classified by particle size
 - Common rocks include
 - **Shale** (most abundant)
 - **Sandstone**
 - **Conglomerate**

Classification of sedimentary rocks

Detrital Sedimentary Rocks				Chemical Sedimentary Rocks							
Texture (particle size)		Sediment Name	Rock Name	Composition	Texture	Rock Name					
Coarse (over 2 mm)		Gravel (Rounded particles)	Conglomerate	Calcite, CaCO ₃	Fine to coarse crystalline	Crystalline Limestone					
		Gravel (Angular particles)	Breccia			Travertine					
Medium (1/16 to 2 mm)		Sand	Sandstone		Visible shells and shell fragments loosely cemented	Coquina					
		(If abundant feldspar is present the rock is called Arkose)				Fossiliferous Limestone					
Fine (1/16 to 1/256 mm)		Mud	Siltstone				Various size shells and shell fragments cemented with calcite cement	Chalk			
Very fine (less than 1/256 mm)		Mud	Shale		Microscopic shells and clay	Biomicstone					
								Quartz, SiO ₂	Very fine crystalline	Chert (light colored) Flint (dark colored)	
								Gypsum CaSO ₄ •2H ₂ O	Fine to coarse crystalline	Rock Gypsum	
					Halite, NaCl	Fine to coarse crystalline	Rock Salt				
				Altered plant fragments	Fine-grained organic matter	Bituminous Coal					

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Figure 3.16

Shale with plant fossils



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Figure 3.19

Sandstone



Close up

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Figure 3.18

Conglomerate



A.

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Figure 3.17 A

Sedimentary rocks

❖ Classifying sedimentary rocks

- Two groups based on the source of the material
 - **Chemical rocks**
 - Derived from material that was once in solution and precipitates to form sediment
 - Directly precipitated as the result of physical processes, or
 - Through life processes (**biochemical origin**)



Sedimentary rocks

❖ Classifying sedimentary rocks

- Two groups based on the source of the material
 - Chemical rocks
 - Common sedimentary rocks
 - **Limestone** – the most abundant chemical rock
 - Microcrystalline quartz (precipitated quartz) known as **chert, flint, jasper**, or **agate**
 - Evaporites such as **rock salt** or **gypsum**
 - **Coal**

Fossiliferous limestone



Sedimentary rocks

- ❖ Sedimentary rocks are produced through **lithification**
 - Loose sediments are transformed into solid rock
 - Lithification processes
 - **Compaction**
 - **Cementation** by
 - Calcite
 - Silica
 - Iron oxide



Sedimentary rocks

❖ Features of sedimentary rocks

- **Strata**, or beds (most characteristic)
- **Bedding planes** separate strata
- **Fossils**
 - Traces or remains of prehistoric life
 - Are the most important inclusions
 - Help determine past environments
 - Used as time indicators
 - Used for matching rocks from different places



Metamorphic rocks

- ❖ “Changed form” rocks
- ❖ Produced from preexisting
 - Igneous rocks
 - Sedimentary rocks
 - Other metamorphic rocks



Metamorphic rocks

❖ Metamorphism

- Takes place where preexisting rock is subjected to temperatures and pressures unlike those in which it formed
- Degrees of metamorphism
 - Exhibited by rock texture and mineralogy
 - **Low-grade** (e.g., shale becomes slate)
 - **High-grade** (obliteration of original features)



Metamorphic rocks

❖ Metamorphic settings

- **Contact**, or **thermal**, metamorphism
 - Occurs near a body of magma
 - Changes are driven by a rise in temperature
- **Regional** metamorphism
 - Directed pressures and high temperatures during mountain building
 - Produces the greatest volume of metamorphic rock



Metamorphic rocks

❖ Metamorphic agents

- Heat
- Pressure (stress)
 - From burial (**confining pressure**)
 - From **differential stress** during mountain building
- Chemically active fluids
 - Mainly water and other volatiles
 - Promote recrystallization by enhancing ion migration



Origin of pressure in metamorphism

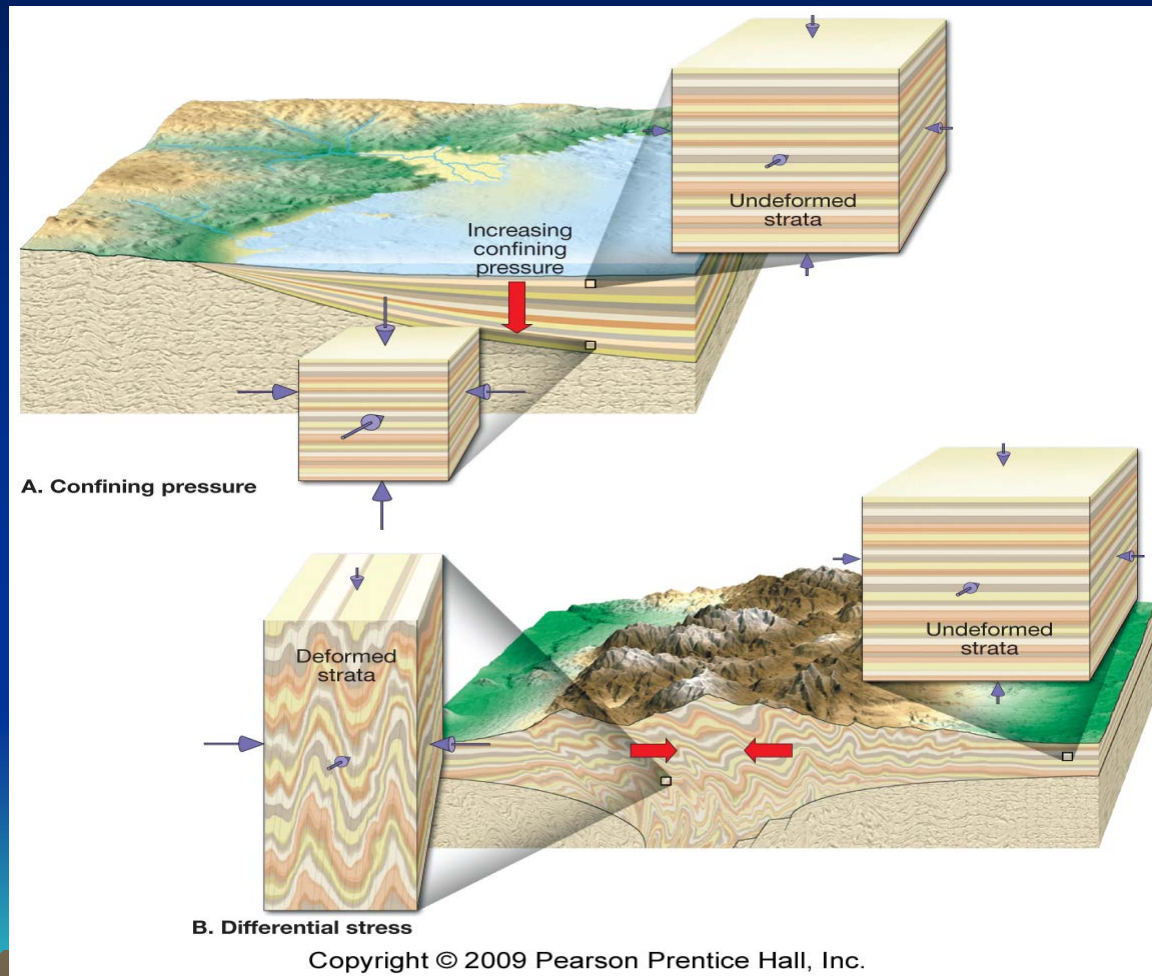


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Metamorphic rocks

❖ Metamorphic textures

- **Foliated texture**
 - Minerals are in a parallel alignment
 - Minerals are perpendicular to the compressional force
- **Nonfoliated texture**
 - Contain equidimensional crystals
 - Resembles a coarse-grained igneous rock



Development of foliation due to directed pressure

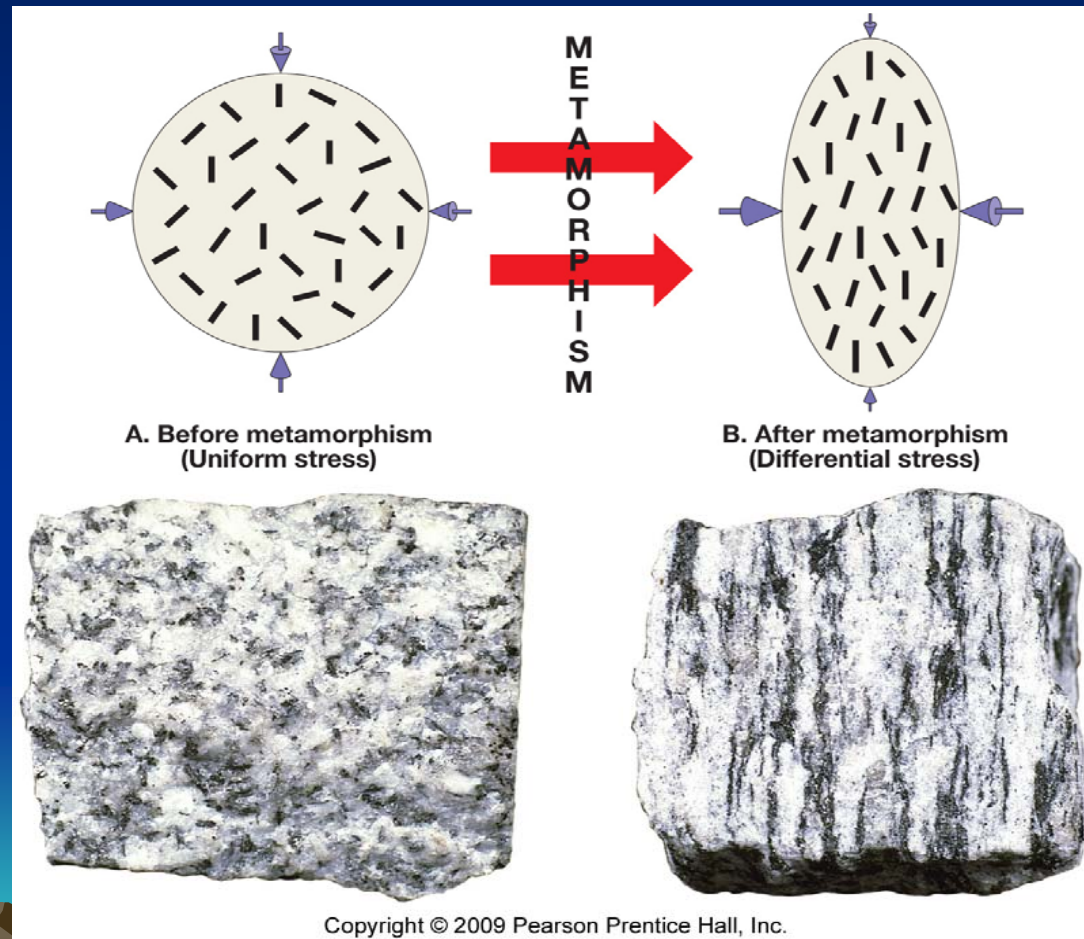


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Metamorphic rocks

❖ Common metamorphic rocks

- Foliated rocks
 - **Slate**
 - Fine-grained
 - Splits easily
 - **Schist**
 - Strongly foliated
 - “Platy”
 - Types based on composition (e.g., mica schist)



Classification of metamorphic rocks

Rock Name		Texture	Grain Size	Comments	Parent Rock
Slate	Increasing ↓ Metamorphism	Foliated	Very fine	Excellent rock cleavage, smooth dull surfaces	Shale, mudstone, or siltstone
Phyllite			Fine	Breaks along wavy surfaces, glossy sheen	Slate
Schist			Medium to Coarse	Micas dominate, scaly foliation	Phyllite
Gneiss			Medium to Coarse	Compositional banding due to segregation of minerals	Schist, granite, or volcanic rocks
Marble	Non foliated	Non foliated	Medium to coarse	Interlocking calcite or dolomite grains	Limestone, dolostone
Quartzite			Medium to coarse	Fused quartz grains, massive, very hard	Quartz sandstone
Anthracite			Fine	Shiny black organic rock that may exhibit conchoidal fracture	Bituminous coal

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Figure 3.30

Metamorphic rocks

❖ Common metamorphic rocks

- Foliated rocks
 - **Gneiss**
 - Strong segregation of silicate minerals
 - “Banded” texture
- Nonfoliated rocks
 - **Marble**
 - Parent rock is limestone
 - Large, interlocking calcite crystals



Gneiss typically displays a banded appearance



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Figure 3.31

Metamorphic rocks

❖ Common metamorphic rocks

- Nonfoliated rocks
 - **Marble**
 - Used as a building stone
 - Variety of colors
 - **Quartzite**
 - Parent rock – quartz sandstone
 - Quartz grains are fused



Marble – a nonfoliated metamorphic rock



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Figure 3.31

Resources from rocks and minerals

❖ **Metallic mineral resources**

- Gold, silver, copper, mercury, lead, etc.
- Concentrations of desirable materials are produced by
 - Igneous processes
 - Metamorphic processes



Resources from rocks and minerals

❖ Metallic mineral resources

- Most important ore deposits are generated from **hydrothermal** (hot-water) solutions
 - Hot
 - Contain metal-rich fluids
 - Associated with cooling magma bodies
 - Types of deposits include
 - **Vein deposits** in fractures or bedding planes, and
 - **Disseminated deposits** which are distributed throughout the rock



Resources from rocks and minerals

❖ **Nonmetallic mineral resources**

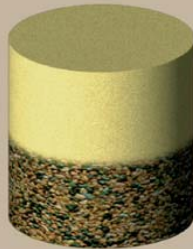
- Make use of the material's
 - Nonmetallic elements
 - Physical or chemical properties
- Two broad groups
 - Building materials (e.g., limestone, gypsum)
 - Industrial minerals (e.g., fluorite, corundum, sylvite)



Nonmetallic Resources



5713 kg (12695 lbs)
Stone



4025 kg (8945 lbs)
Sand and gravel



360 kg (790 lbs)
Cement



137 kg (304 lbs)
Clays



178 kg (395 lbs)
Salt



162 kg (361 lbs)
Phosphate rock



302 kg (672 lbs)
Other nonmetals

Metallic Resources



249 kg (553 lbs)
Iron



35 kg (77 lbs)
Aluminum



6 kg (14 lbs)
Lead



6 kg (13 lbs)
Manganese



11 kg (25 lbs)
Copper



5 kg (11 lbs)
Zinc



9 kg (20 lbs)
Other metals

Energy Resources



3500 kg (7700 lbs)
Petroleum



3700 kg (8140 lbs)
Coal



3850 kg (8470 lbs)
Natural gas

Mineral Resources

Figure 3.C

End of Chapter 3

