

Rocks & Minerals Flash Cards- updated

rock	a naturally occurring solid made of minerals.
texture	The way a mineral feels. It can be rough, smooth, or bumpy.
hardness test	The measure of how easily a mineral can be scratched.
mineral	A naturally occurring solid made of the chemical elements of the earth.
luster	The way a mineral shines or reflects light. It can be described as dull, glassy, or shiny.
Moh's Hardness Scale	A list of numbers and minerals used to measure mineral hardness from 1 = soft talc to 10 = hard diamond.

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color	Describes the outside color of a mineral. It is easy to observe color, but not the best way to identify a mineral.
classify	A way of describing and identifying rocks and minerals.
metallic	A mineral that is shiny like a metal.
non-metallic	A mineral that is dull or glassy.