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DYNAMIC EARTH VOCABULARY

inner core

outer core

mantle

crust

plates

fault

subduction

lithosphere

fault-block

folded

upwarped

volcanic

isostasy

1. The _____ is broken into about 30 sections that move around on the asthenosphere.
2. Because the _____ stops one type of seismic wave and slows another, scientists believe it is a liquid.
3. The pushing forces of two plates moving together causes rocks to buckle, forming _____ mountains.
4. A denser plate sinking under a less dense plate is called _____.
5. As erosion removes material from the tops of mountains and the mass of the mountain decreases, the crust is forced upward because of _____.
6. The _____ is thinnest under the oceans and thickest through the continents.
7. A cone-shaped feature made of layers of lava is a(n) _____ mountain.
8. _____ move so slowly that they can take more than a year to travel a few centimeters.
9. The innermost layer of Earth's interior is the _____.
10. Forces inside Earth sometimes push crust upward, creating _____ mountains.
11. Pulling forces form _____ mountains such as the Teton Range in Wyoming.
12. Even though it is solid, the _____ flows slowly.
13. A large fracture in rock along which movement occurs is called a(n) _____.

_____ 1. sea-floor spreading

_____ 2. mid-ocean ridge

_____ 3. supercontinent

_____ 4. reversed polarity

_____ 5. continental drift

a. magnetic field that points south

b. hypothesis stating large landmass broke up into smaller landmasses to form the continents, which then drifted to their present locations

c. process by which new ocean lithosphere forms

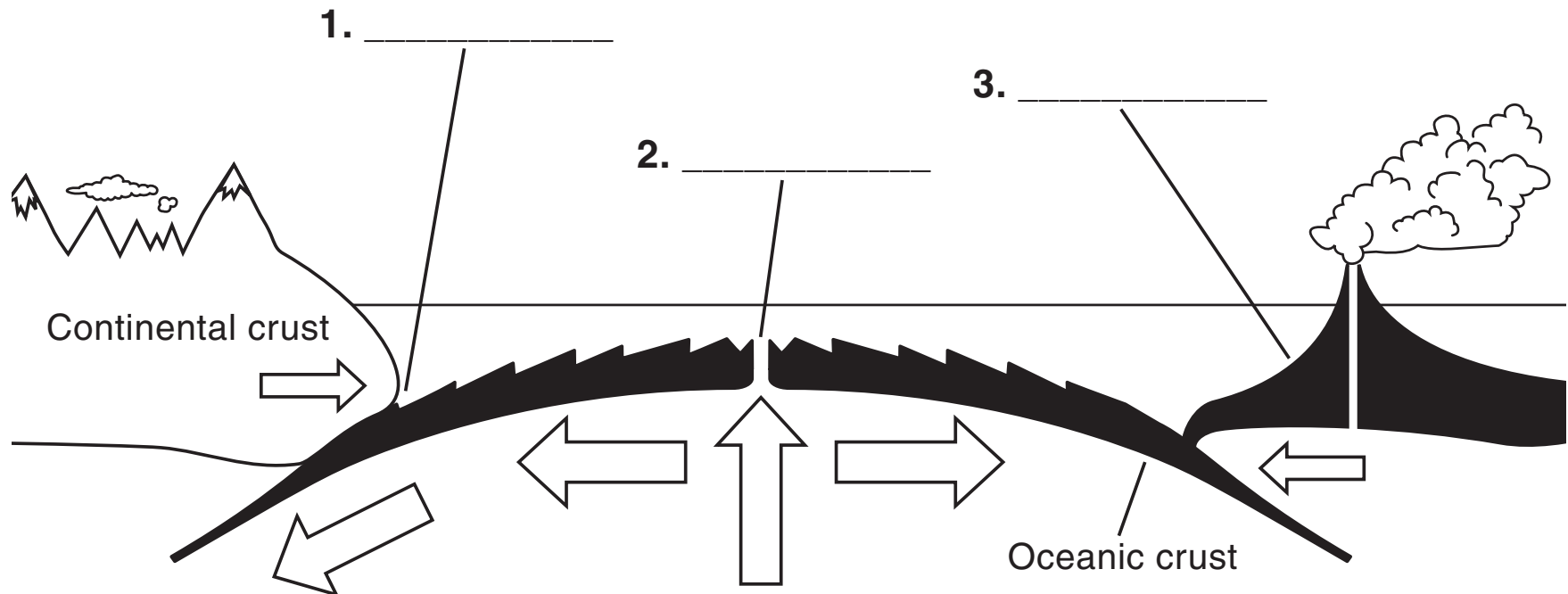
d. single landmass once formed by the continents

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| _____ | 1. asthenosphere | a. outer layer of Earth made up of the upper part of the mantle and the crust |
| _____ | 2. subduction zone | b. cycle in which heated material rises and cooler material sinks |
| _____ | 3. plate tectonics | c. solid layer of plastic mantle rock that flows very slowly |
| _____ | 4. lithosphere | d. theory that explains how large pieces of the lithosphere move |
| _____ | 5. convection cell | e. region along a plate boundary where one plate moves under another plate |

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| _____ | 1. Pangaea | a. process by which supercontinents form and break apart over time |
| _____ | 2. terrane | b. piece of lithosphere with magnetic properties different from those of its surroundings |
| _____ | 3. Panthalassa | c. supercontinent formed about 300 million years ago |
| _____ | 4. supercontinent cycle | d. process by which a continent breaks apart |
| _____ | 5. rifting | e. single large ocean covering Earth 300 million years ago |

Directions: Study the following diagram. Then label each part with the letter of the correct description below.

- A. A mid-ocean ridge forms whenever diverging plates continue to separate, creating a new ocean basin. As the rising magma cools, it forms new ocean crust.
- B. When an oceanic plate converges with a less dense continental plate, the denser oceanic plate sinks under the continental plate.
- C. When two oceanic plates converge, the denser plate is forced beneath the other plate and volcanic islands form above the sinking plate.



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| _____ | 1. Pangaea | a. region along a plate boundary where one plate moves under another |
| _____ | 2. lithosphere | b. piece of lithosphere with a unique geologic history |
| _____ | 3. rift valley | c. crack in the center of a mid-ocean ridge |
| _____ | 4. sea-floor spreading | d. supercontinent formed about 300 million years ago |
| _____ | 5. paleomagnetism | e. residual magnetism of rock |
| _____ | 6. terrane | f. process by which new sea floor forms |
| _____ | 7. mid-ocean ridge | g. layer that forms the thin outer shell of Earth |
| _____ | 8. subduction zone | h. cycle in which heated material rises and cooler material sinks |
| _____ | 9. continental drift | i. undersea mountain range |
| _____ | 10. convection cell | j. hypothesis that the continents once formed a single landmass |

- _____ 1. paleomagnetism
- _____ 2. transform boundary
- _____ 3. asthenosphere
- _____ 4. continental drift
- _____ 5. terrane
- _____ 6. sea-floor spreading
- _____ 7. rifting
- _____ 8. convergent
boundary
- _____ 9. lithosphere
- _____ 10. divergent boundary

- a. the thin outer shell of Earth that is broken into several blocks
- b. boundary that forms where two plates collide
- c. process by which new sea floor forms as magma rises through a rift
- d. hypothesis that the continents moved to their present positions
- e. study of the alignment of magnetic minerals in rock
- f. boundary where two plates slide past one another horizontally
- g. layer of plastic rock just below the lithosphere
- h. forming of cracks in weakened continental or oceanic crust
- i. boundary at which two plates move away from each other
- j. piece of lithosphere with a unique geologic history

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| _____ | 1. compression | a. ductile stress causing rock layers to bend |
| _____ | 2. fault | b. a break in rock along which the surrounding rock moves |
| _____ | 3. shear stress | c. stress that squeezes and shortens rock |
| _____ | 4. tension | d. stress that distorts rock by pushing parts of it in opposite directions |
| _____ | 5. fold | e. stress that stretches and pulls rock apart |

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| _____ | 1. folded mountain | a. mountain formed when faults break Earth's crust into blocks that tilt and drop |
| _____ | 2. graben | b. valley formed when faults break Earth's crust into blocks that tilt and drop |
| _____ | 3. dome mountain | c. mountain formed when magma pushes rock layers up |
| _____ | 4. fault-block mountain | d. mountain formed when magma erupts onto Earth's surface |
| _____ | 5. volcanic mountain | e. mountain formed when rock is squeezed and uplifted |

Pangaea
continents

Arctic
Africa

rock
seafloor spreading

Alfred Wegener was one of the first people to suggest that all of the
1. _____ were joined together in the past. He called the one large
continent 2. _____. Evidence exists to support his hypothesis.
For example, similar fossils have been found in South America and
3. _____. Also, fossils of warm weather plants have been found in
the 4. _____. Similar 5. _____ structures exist in
the Appalachian Mountains and in Greenland and western Europe. But until clues on
the ocean floor led to Harry Hess's theory of 6. _____, scientists
could not think of how the continents might move.

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| _____ | 1. shear stress | a. stress that stretches and pulls a body of rock apart |
| _____ | 2. folded mountain | b. a series of mountains related in shape and structure |
| _____ | 3. isostasy | c. a bend in rock layers from stress |
| _____ | 4. fault-block mountain | d. distorts by pushing parts of the body in opposite directions |
| _____ | 5. dome mountain | e. mountain formed when rock layers are squeezed and uplifted |
| _____ | 6. fault | f. equilibrium in gravity and buoyancy between the asthenosphere and the lithosphere |
| _____ | 7. compression | g. a break in rock along which rock moves |
| _____ | 8. tension | h. stress that squeezes and shortens rock |
| _____ | 9. fold | i. forms where faults break Earth's crust into large blocks that tilt and drop |
| _____ | 10. mountain range | j. mountain with rock layers sloping from a central point |

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| _____ | 1. compression | a. type of stress that pulls apart rock |
| _____ | 2. folded mountain | b. a bend in rock layers that results from stress |
| _____ | 3. dome mountain | c. a mountain formed when magma erupts through Earth's surface |
| _____ | 4. tension | d. type of stress that squeezes rock |
| _____ | 5. shear stress | e. a break along which surrounding rock moves |
| _____ | 6. fold | f. a state in which the asthenosphere and lithosphere are in balance |
| _____ | 7. volcanic mountain | g. mountain with circular rock layers that gently slope from the center |
| _____ | 8. fault-block mountain | h. mountain that forms where rock layers are squeezed and bent |
| _____ | 9. isostasy | i. type of stress that distorts rock by pushing parts of it in opposite directions |
| _____ | 10. fault | j. a mountain that forms where large blocks of Earth's crust tilt and drop along faults relative to other blocks |

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| _____ | 1. S wave | a. seismic wave that can travel through solids, liquids, and gases |
| _____ | 2. elastic rebound | b. seismic wave that travels through solids only |
| _____ | 3. body wave | c. seismic wave that travels along the surface of a medium |
| _____ | 4. P wave | d. seismic wave that travels through the body of a medium |
| _____ | 5. surface wave | e. sudden return of deformed rock to its undeformed shape |

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| _____ | 1. moment magnitude | a. displays earthquake motion recorded by a seismograph |
| _____ | 2. seismograph | b. measures intensity |
| _____ | 3. Richter scale | c. measures magnitude using ground motion |
| _____ | 4. modified Mercalli scale | d. records ground vibrations |
| _____ | 5. seismogram | e. uses fault size and distance that fault blocks move to measure magnitude |

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| _____ | 1. foreshock | a. an area where relatively few earthquakes have occurred recently, but where strong earthquakes have occurred in the past |
| _____ | 2. seismic gap | b. a large ocean wave that forms after a volcanic eruption, underwater earthquake, or landslide |
| _____ | 3. tsunami | c. a small earthquake that precedes a larger one |

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| _____ | 1. seismic gap | a. an instrument used for detecting and recording vibrations in the ground |
| _____ | 2. Richter scale | b. a measurement of earthquake strength based in part on the size of the area of the fault that moves |
| _____ | 3. body wave | c. a scale used to measure an earthquake's intensity |
| _____ | 4. tsunami | d. a wave that travels through the body of a medium |
| _____ | 5. modified Mercalli scale | e. a scale used to measure ground motion from earthquakes |
| _____ | 6. surface wave | f. the sudden return of deformed rock to its undeformed state |
| _____ | 7. seismograph | g. a wave that travels along the surface of a body, not through the middle |
| _____ | 8. foreshock | h. section of a fault along which few quakes have occurred recently, but along which strong quakes have occurred in the past |
| _____ | 9. elastic rebound | i. a smaller earthquake that precedes a larger one |
| _____ | 10. moment magnitude | j. a giant wave that can form after an undersea earthquake |

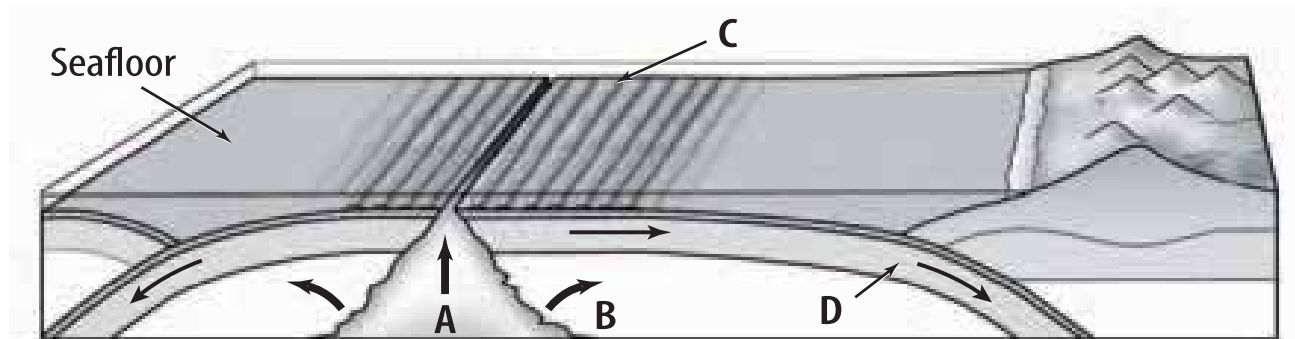
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| _____ | 1. seismogram | a. a magnitude scale based on the size of the fault area that moves, how far fault blocks move, and the rigidity of rocks |
| _____ | 2. seismograph | |
| _____ | 3. Richter scale | b. a scale that measures earthquake intensity |
| _____ | 4. elastic rebound | c. a tracing of earthquake motion that is recorded by a seismograph |
| _____ | 5. body wave | d. the sudden return of elastically deformed rock to its undeformed shape |
| _____ | 6. moment magnitude | e. the fastest seismic wave; can travel through solids, liquids, and gases |
| _____ | 7. surface wave | f. an instrument that records ground vibrations |
| _____ | 8. modified Mercalli scale | g. a seismic wave that travels along the surface of a medium |
| _____ | 9. P wave | h. the second-fastest seismic wave; can only travel through solids |
| _____ | 10. S wave | i. a seismic wave that travels through the body of a medium |
| | | j. a magnitude scale that measures ground motion |

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| _____ | 1. pluton | a. liquid rock that is produced under Earth's surface |
| _____ | 2. volcanism | b. a volcanically active area of Earth's surface, often far from a tectonic plate boundary |
| _____ | 3. lava | c. magma that flows onto Earth's surface |
| _____ | 4. hot spot | d. igneous rock formations that develop when magma cools and solidifies inside Earth's crust |
| _____ | 5. magma | e. any activity that includes the movement of magma toward or onto Earth's surface |

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| _____ | 1. caldera | a. a volcanic cone, rarely more than a few hundred meters high, with slope angles up to 40°; |
| _____ | 2. pyroclastic materials | formed from small explosive eruptions |
| _____ | 3. cinder cone | b. produced by thick, sticky lava with a high viscosity and a high volume of trapped gases |
| _____ | 4. quiet eruption | c. volcanic dust, volcanic ash, lapilli, volcanic bombs, and volcanic blocks |
| _____ | 5. explosive eruption | d. produced by runny lava with a low viscosity and a low volume of trapped gases |
| | | e. a large, circular depression that forms when the magma chamber below a volcano partially empties and causes the ground above to collapse |

_____ 1. magma	a. magma that flows onto Earth's surface; the rock that forms when lava cools and solidifies
_____ 2. volcanism	b. describes magma or igneous rock that is rich in feldspars and silica, and generally light in color
_____ 3. lava	c. liquid rock that forms under Earth's surface
_____ 4. volcano	d. describes magma or igneous rock that is rich in magnesium and iron, and generally dark in color
_____ 5. hot spot	e. a vent or fissure in Earth's surface through which magma and gases are expelled
_____ 6. mafic	f. a volcanically active area of Earth's surface, often far from a tectonic plate boundary
_____ 7. felsic	g. any activity that includes the movement of magma toward or onto Earth's surface
_____ 8. pyroclastic material	h. a large, circular depression that forms when the magma chamber below a volcano partially empties and causes the ground above to collapse
_____ 9. caldera	i. a type of volcano made up of pyroclastic material
_____ 10. cinder cone	j. fragments of rock that form during a volcanic eruption

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| _____ | 1. volcanism | a. large rock particles that are less than 64 mm in diameter |
| _____ | 2. hot spot | b. fragments of rock that form during a volcanic eruption |
| _____ | 3. quiet eruption | c. produced by mafic magma, a runny lava with a low viscosity and a low volume of trapped gases |
| _____ | 4. igneous rock | d. produced by felsic magma, a sticky lava with a high viscosity and a high volume of trapped gases |
| _____ | 5. magma | e. any activity that includes the movement of magma toward or onto Earth's surface |
| _____ | 6. explosive eruption | f. a volcanically active area of Earth's surface, commonly far from a tectonic plate boundary |
| _____ | 7. pyroclastic material | g. a type of rock that forms when magma cools and solidifies |
| _____ | 8. lava | h. magma that cools and solidifies before it reaches Earth's surface |
| _____ | 9. lapilli | i. magma that flows onto Earth's surface; the rock that forms when lava cools and solidifies |
| _____ | 10. pluton | j. liquid rock that is produced under Earth's surface |



- _____ 7. Molten rock flows onto the seafloor and hardens as it cools.
- _____ 8. Hot, molten rock is forced upward toward the seafloor at a mid-ocean ridge.
- _____ 9. New seafloor moves away from the ridge, cools, becomes denser, and sinks.
- _____ 10. Molten rock pushes sideways in both directions as it rises, moving the mantle with it.

asthenosphere **convection**
lithosphere **plates** **faults**

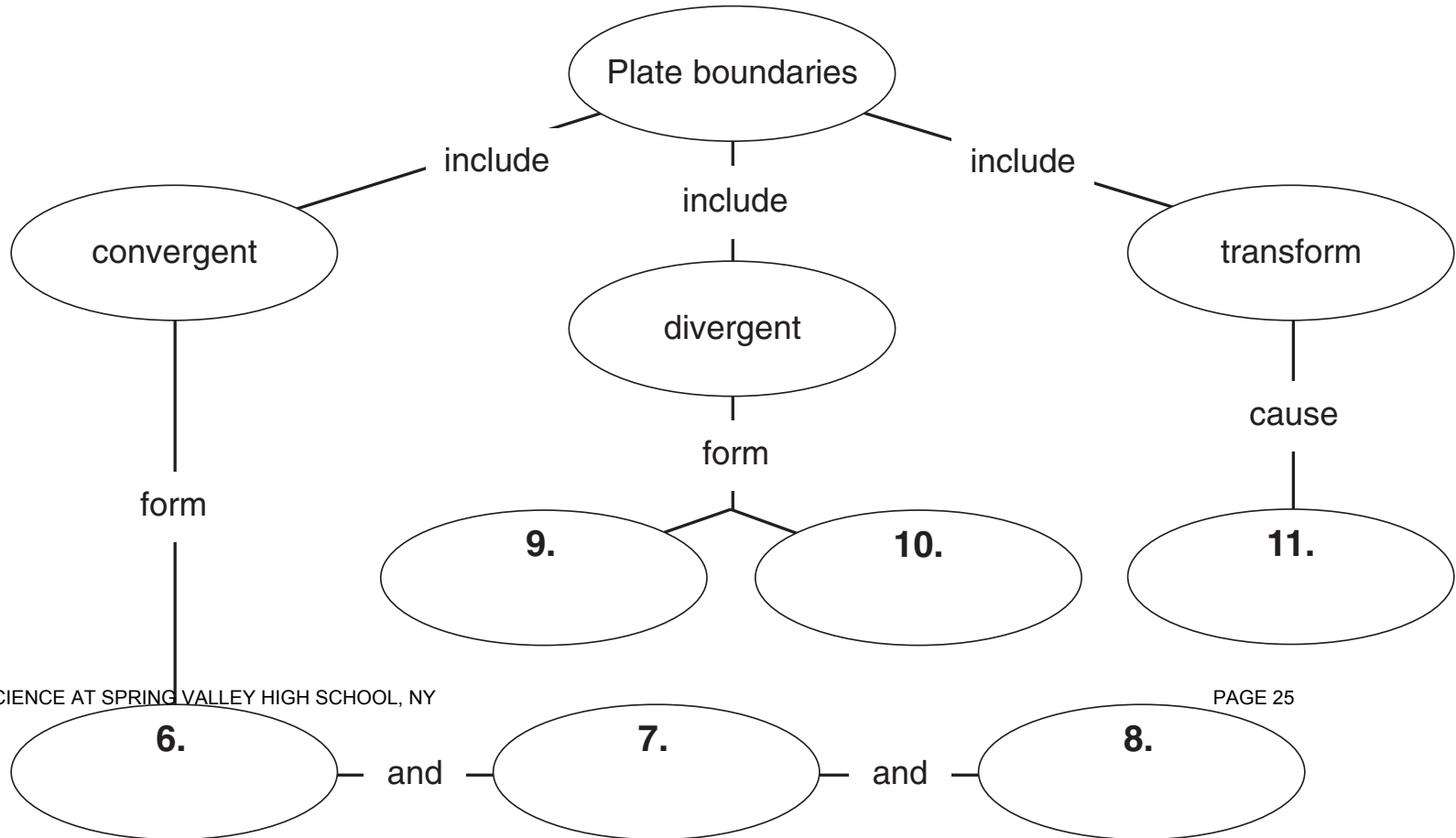
1. Shearing causes areas between plates that are sliding past one another to form _____ and experience earthquakes.
2. Sections of Earth's crust and upper mantle, called _____, move around on part of the mantle.
3. The crust and upper mantle are called the _____.
4. Beneath this layer is the plasticlike _____.
5. Uneven heating of the upper mantle can cause differences in density, or _____; this could be one cause of plate movement.

- _____ 1. Earth's crust and upper mantle are broken into sections called _____
a. lava. b. plates.
- _____ 2. The collision of one continental plate with another may produce _____
a. oceans. b. mountains.
- _____ 3. New ocean crust is formed at a _____
a. rift valley. b. mid-ocean ridge.
- _____ 4. A rift valley can form where two continental plates are _____
a. moving apart. b. colliding.
- _____ 5. Where Earth's plates move, they may slide alongside one another, pull apart, or _____
a. collide. b. divide.

**mid-ocean ridges
rift valleys**

**volcanic islands
deep-sea trenches**

**major earthquakes
volcanic mountains**



Column I

- _____ 1. reptile fossil found in South America and Africa
- _____ 2. fossil plant found in Africa, Australia, India, South America, and Antarctica
- _____ 3. clues that support continental drift
- _____ 4. mountains similar to those in Greenland and western Europe
- _____ 5. Wegener's name for one large landmass
- _____ 6. slow movement of continents
- _____ 7. evidence that Africa was once cold

Column II

- a. Pangaea
- b. Appalachians
- c. continental drift
- d. glacial deposits
- e. *Glossopteris*
- f. *Mesosaurus*
- g. fossil, climate, and rock

asthenosphere

convection

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plate tectonics

plates

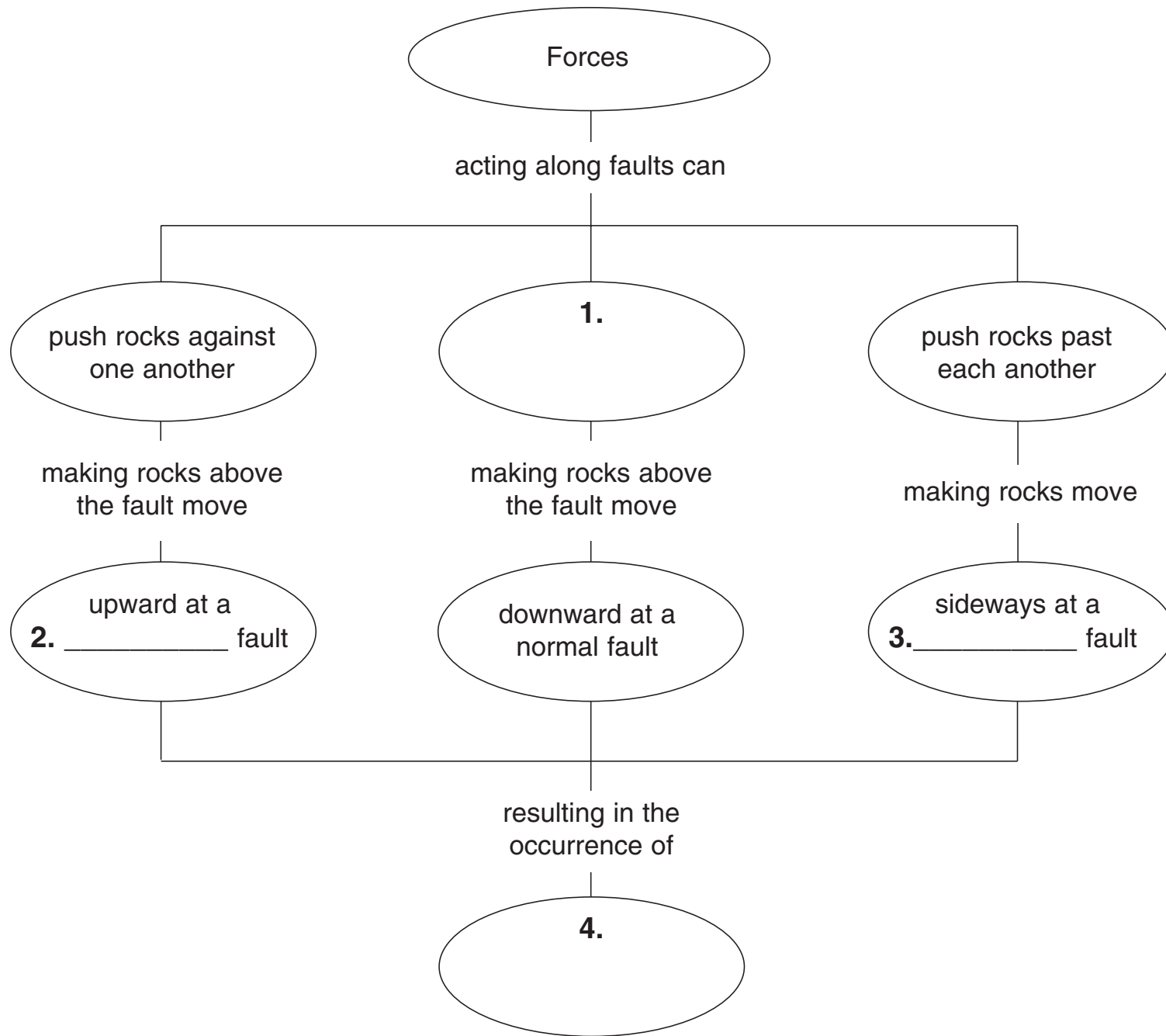
1. The theory of _____ states that Earth's crust and upper mantle are broken into sections.
2. These sections, called _____, are composed of the crust and a part of the upper mantle.
3. The crust and upper mantle together are called the _____.
4. Beneath this layer is the plasticlike _____.
5. Scientists suggest that differences in density cause hot, plasticlike rock to be forced upward toward the surface, cool, and sink. This cycle is called a _____ current.

reverse

strike-slip

earthquakes

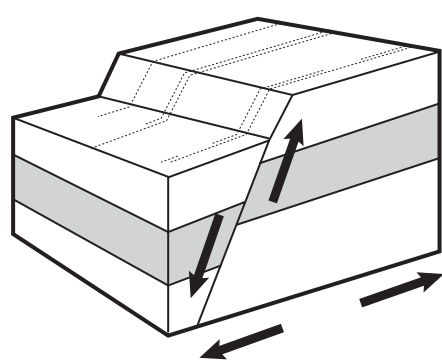
pull rocks apart



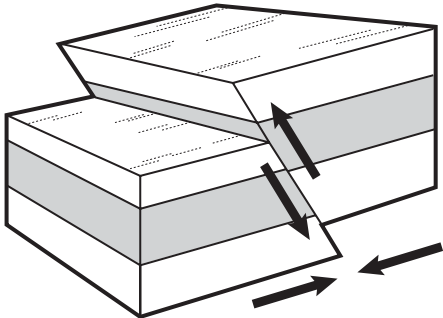
Directions: *Unscramble the terms in italics to complete the sentences below. Write the terms on the lines provided.*

- _____ 1. Forces cause sections of Earth's surface, called *petals*, to move.
- _____ 2. When rocks break, they move along surfaces called *stufla*.
- _____ 3. To relieve the *srests* caused by plate movement, rocks tend to bend, compress, or stretch.
- _____ 4. When rocks are stressed beyond their *staleci* limit they break, move along the fault, and return to their original shapes.
- _____ 5. An *akquethera* is the vibrations produced by the breaking of rock.
- _____ 6. At a *roamnl* fault, tension pulls rocks apart.
- _____ 7. At a *riskte-pils* fault, rocks move past each other.
- _____ 8. At a normal fault, rock above the fault surface moves *ddwwoanr* in relation to rock below the fault surface.
- _____ 9. At a *rreesv* fault, rocks above the fault surface move up and over the rocks below the fault surface.
- _____ 10. At a reverse fault, *mnopsericos* forces pushes on rocks from opposite directions.
- _____ 11. *earsh* forces can cause strike-slip faults.

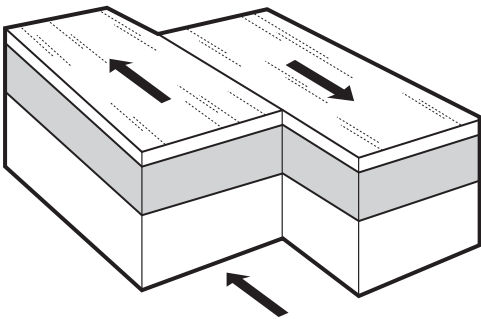
Directions: *Identify the faults shown below as **reverse**, **normal**, or **strike-slip**.*



12. _____



13. _____



14. _____

- _____ 1. When an earthquake occurs, energy is released in the form of _____.
a. seismic waves b. faults
- _____ 2. What kind of waves cause particles in rocks to move at right angles to
the direction of the wave?
a. primary waves b. secondary waves
- _____ 3. What kind of waves cause particles in rocks to move back and forth in
the same direction?
a. primary waves b. faults
- _____ 4. An earthquake's _____ is the point on Earth's surface directly above
the earthquake focus.
a. elastic limit b. epicenter
- _____ 5. _____ waves cause the most destruction.
a. Secondary b. Surface
- _____ 6. _____ waves are the fastest.
a. Primary b. Secondary
- _____ 7. At the very center of Earth is a _____.
a. liquid layer of minerals b. solid, dense inner core
- _____ 8. Earth's largest layer is the _____.
a. mantle b. crust
- _____ 9. The Richter scale measures the _____ of an earthquake.
a. magnitude b. intensity
- _____ 10. An earthquake that measured X on the modified
Mercalli scale would cause _____ damage.
a. very little b. considerable
- _____ 11. Suppose water along a shoreline moves rapidly toward the sea, exposing
a large portion of land that is usually under the water. This is a clue that
a _____ might strike.
a. tsunami b. liquefaction

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| _____ 1. melted rock formed by heat and pressure deep inside Earth | a. magma |
| _____ 2. area between mantle and core where hot rock is forced into the crust | b. crater |
| _____ 3. places where most volcanoes occur | c. vent |
| _____ 4. opening in Earth's surface through which magma flows | d. volcano |
| _____ 5. steep-walled depression around a volcano's vent | e. hot spot |
| _____ 6. an opening in Earth's surface that often forms a mountain when layers of lava and volcanic ash erupt | f. heat and pressure |
| _____ 7. cause rocks to melt and form magma | g. plate boundaries |

acid rain
falling ash
igneous rock

lava flow
magma
plates

pyroclastic flow
rise
vent

volcano
volcanologists

Earth's crust is formed from (1)_____ that are constantly moving. Pressure between these shifting plates causes rock deep within Earth to melt, forming liquid rock called (2)_____. Because it is less dense than the surrounding rock, this molten rock begins to (3)_____ to the surface and escape through a (4)_____. As the lava cools, it builds up in layers which become (5)_____. Spewing gases, ash, and lava around the opening creates a (6)_____.

Volcanoes can have dramatic effects on people's lives and their property. Volcanic ash and debris may pour down a mountain side as (7)_____ crushing crops, villages, forests, and wildlife. (8)_____ forms when gases mix with water vapor raining down and killing plants. Entire villages may be buried below (9)_____ as in Herculaneum. A (10)_____ destroys everything in its path. These eruptions can be violent and unpredictable, but volcano scientists, also known as (11)_____, still find them beautiful, exciting, and intriguing to study.

combine	stronger	isochron	lower	magnetic field
normal polarity	older	cancel	reversed polarity	younger

Earth's **(17)** _____ has changed over time. A field with the same orientation as today's field is said to have **(18)** _____. A field that is opposite the present field has **(19)** _____. Magnetometers have been used to measure the ocean floor's magnetic field. When the ocean floor's magnetic readings match the present field, the two fields **(20)** _____. This produces a(n) **(21)** _____ than normal reading. When the magnetic readings of the ocean floor are reversed compared to today's field, the two fields partially **(22)** _____ to produce a(n) **(23)** _____ than normal reading. Magnetic data of the ocean floor has been used to generate **(24)** _____ maps, which have shown that the ocean floor is **(25)** _____ near ocean ridges and **(26)** _____ near deep-sea trenches.

Column A

Column B

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| _____ | 27. Device that can detect small changes in magnetic fields | a. isochron |
| _____ | 28. Minerals containing this act like small compass needles and record the orientation of Earth's magnetic field at the time of their formation | b. iron |
| _____ | 29. Was constructed from data gathered from continental basalt flows | c. geomagnetic time scale |
| _____ | 30. This type of line connects points on a map that have the same age | d. new ocean crust |
| _____ | 31. Each cycle of spreading and magma intrusion along an ocean ridge results in the formation of this | e. magnetometer |

Hawaiian Islands	crust	divergent	flood basalts	hot spots
Iceland	mantle	volcanoes	plateau	ocean ridges
Circum-Pacific Belt	western	convergent		

Most of the world's volcanoes form along **(25)** _____ plate boundaries. Slabs of oceanic crust descend into the **(26)** _____ and melt. The magma that forms is forced upward through the overlying plate and forms **(27)** _____ when it reaches Earth's surface. The **(28)** _____ marks the locations of most convergent boundary volcanoes. It stretches along the **(29)** _____ coasts of North and South America and down the eastern coast of Asia.

At **(30)** _____ plate boundaries, magma is forced upward into fractures and faults that form as plates separate or spread apart. Most of the volcanoes that form along divergent boundaries are located underwater along **(31)** _____. This type of volcanic activity can be observed above sea level in **(32)** _____, which sits atop the Mid-Atlantic Ridge.

Some volcanoes that form far from plate boundaries form over **(33)** _____, which are unusually hot regions of Earth's mantle. At hot spots, high-temperature plumes melt rock. The magma that forms moves upward toward the **(34)** _____ and melts the crust to form a volcano. As a tectonic plate moves over a hot spot, a string of volcanoes forms. The **(35)** _____ are forming as the result of a hot spot. Hot spots can also result in the formation of **(36)** _____, which erupt from fissures to form a flat plain or a **(37)** _____ rather than volcanic mountains.

Column A

- _____ **9.** Fracture that forms as a result of horizontal compression
- _____ **10.** Fracture caused by horizontal shear
- _____ **11.** Famous California strike-slip fault
- _____ **12.** Fracture caused by horizontal tension
- _____ **13.** Fracture along which movement occurs
- _____ **14.** Fault surface along which movement takes place

Column B

- a.** fault
- b.** fault plane
- c.** normal fault
- d.** reverse fault
- e.** San Andreas
- f.** strike-slip fault

mass

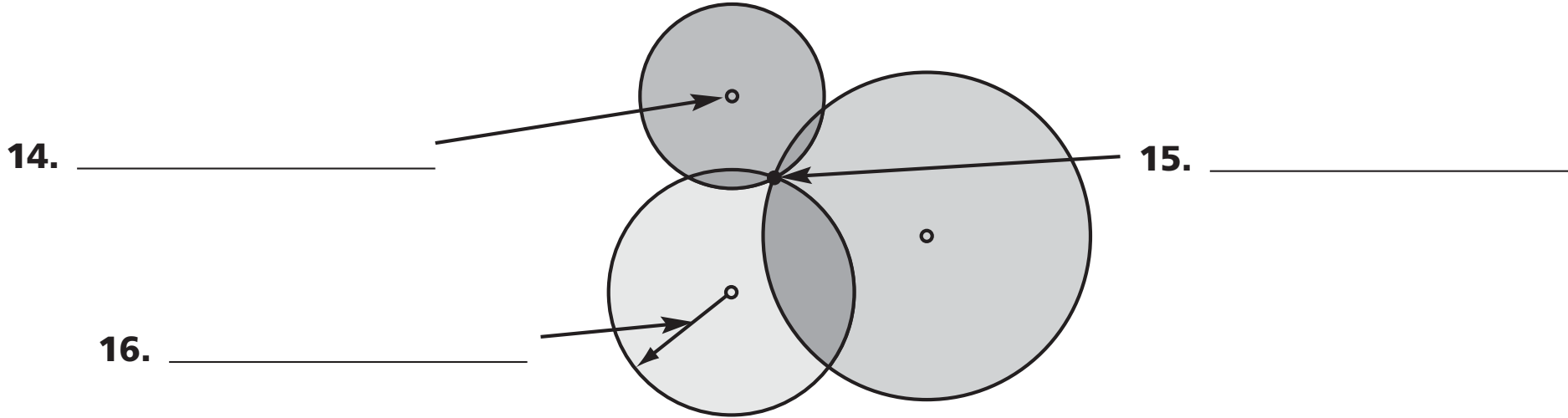
seismometer

seismogram

frame

- 1.** A _____ is an instrument that records earthquake vibrations.
- 2.** All seismometers include a _____ suspended from a wire.
- 3.** A paper or computer record of earthquake vibrations is called a _____.
- 4.** All seismometers include a _____ that is anchored to the ground and vibrates during an earthquake.

Label the diagram below. Choose from the following: *epicenter*, *epicentral distance*, *seismic station*.



Circum-Pacific Belt

boundaries

tectonic plates

Mediterranean-Asian Belt

ocean ridges

seismic belts

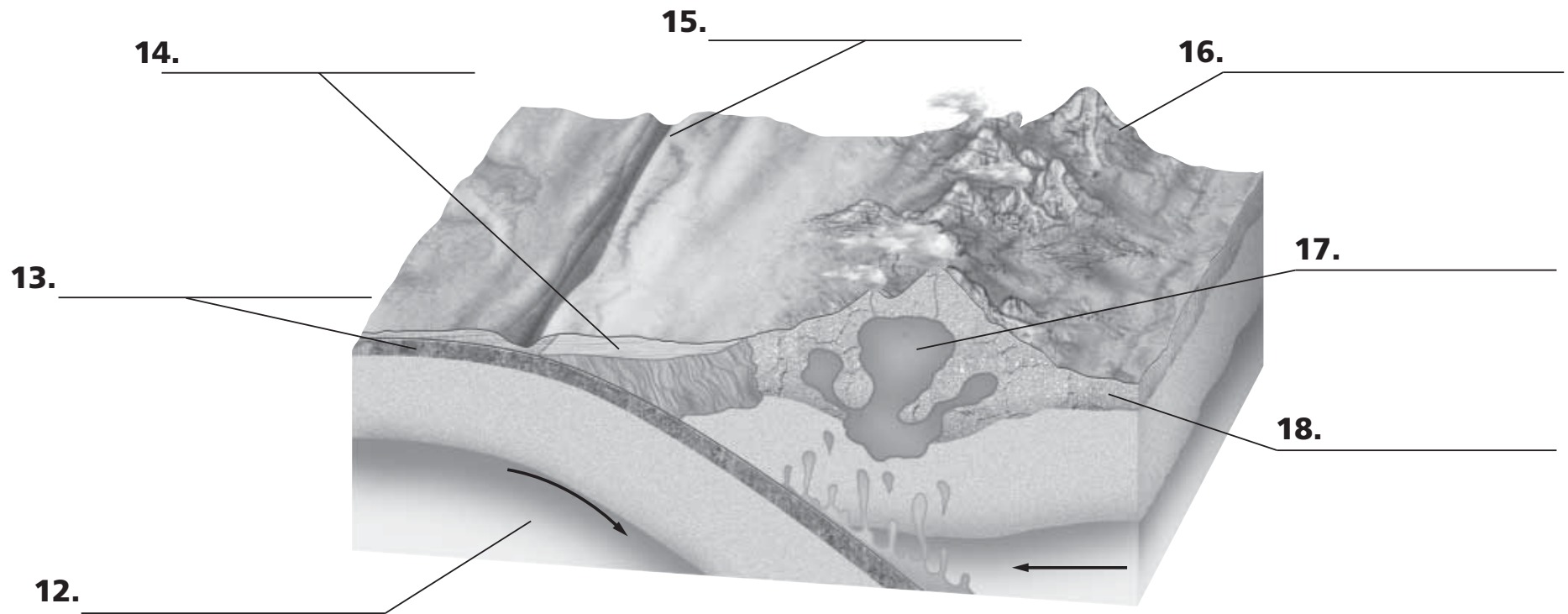
Most earthquakes occur in narrow **(19)** _____ that lie between large regions with little or no seismic activity. Seismic activity in seismic belts is a result of movements among Earth's **(20)** _____. Most earthquakes occur near the **(21)** _____ of tectonic plates. Nearly 80 percent of earthquakes occur in the seismic belt known as the **(22)** _____. About 15 percent of all earthquakes occur in the **(23)** _____, which stretches across Europe and Asia. Most other earthquakes occur on the crests of **(24)** _____.

continental crust
sediments

trench
subducting plate

magma
volcanic mountains

oceanic crust



convection currents

faults

hot spot

magnetic patterns

modified-Mercalli scale

volcanoes

- 6.** Evidence of seafloor spreading is provided by symmetric _____ of ocean-floor rocks.
- 7.** Plate movements are related to _____ in Earth's mantle that cause warm matter to rise and cool matter to sink.
- 8.** Cinder-cone, shield, and composite are three types of _____.
- 9.** Earthquakes occur when stress in rock is released at breaks in Earth's crust called _____.
- 10.** An earthquake's intensity, or the amount of damage it causes, is measured on the _____.
- 11.** A solitary volcanic peak may form when a plate moves over a _____ in Earth's mantle.

magma

divergent

mantle

hot spots


tectonic

energy

Volcanoes often occur at 6. _____ and convergent plate boundaries. They also occur at 7. _____ where large, rising bodies of 8. _____ can force their way through Earth's 9. _____ and crust.

Like volcanoes, earthquakes also occur at 10. _____ plate boundaries. They are caused by the 11. _____ generated by the plates' movement.

Description



- _____ 2. Earth vibration caused by rapid energy release
- _____ 3. energy that radiates in all directions from the earthquake origin
- _____ 4.  fracture where movement has occurred
- _____ 5. surface location directly above where an earthquake originates
- _____ 6. location within Earth where an earthquake originates

Earthquake Feature

- a. epicenter
- b. focus
- c. seismic wave
- d. fault
- e. earthquake

Description

Term

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| _____ 9. | derived from the amount of displacement that occurs along a fault zone | a. intensity |
| _____ 10. | based on the amplitude of the largest seismic wave recorded on a seismogram | b. magnitude |
| _____ 11. |  measure of the size of seismic waves or amount of energy released at the earthquake source | c. Richter scale |
| _____ 12. |  measure of the amount of earthquake shaking at a location based on damage | d. moment magnitude scale |

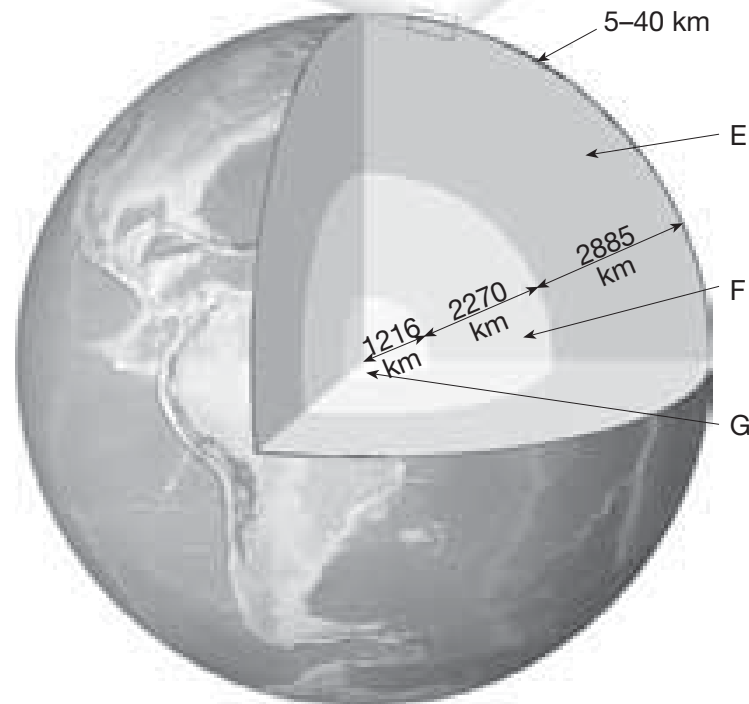
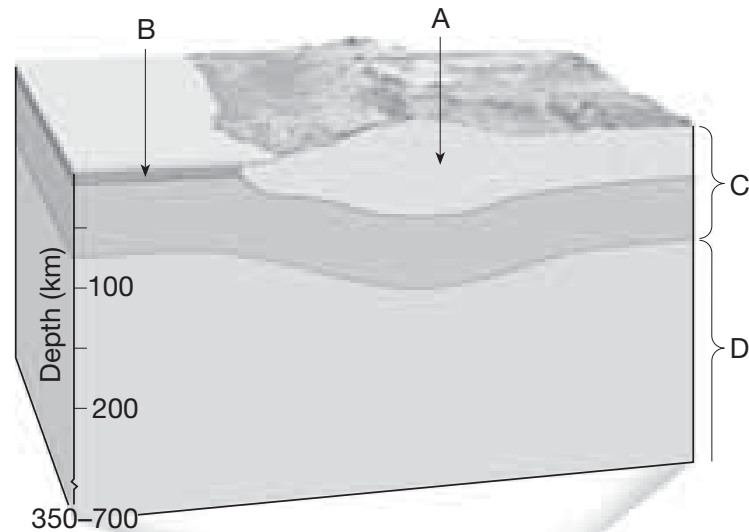
Use the figure of Earth's structure to write the letter(s) that represents each of the following layers.

mantle _____





continental crust _____

oceanic crust _____

core _____







Description

- _____ 3.  soft, weak rock with some melting
- _____ 4.  liquid iron-nickel alloy that generates Earth's magnetic field
- _____ 5.  cool, rigid crust and uppermost mantle
- _____ 6.  solid iron-nickel alloy

Earth Layer

- a. asthenosphere
- b. inner core
- c. outer core
- d. lithosphere

Composition

- _____ 10.  basaltic rock
- _____ 11.  granitic rock
- _____ 12.  similar to stony meteorites
- _____ 13.  similar to metallic meteorites

Earth Layer

- a. continental crust
- b. oceanic crust
- c. core
- d. mantle

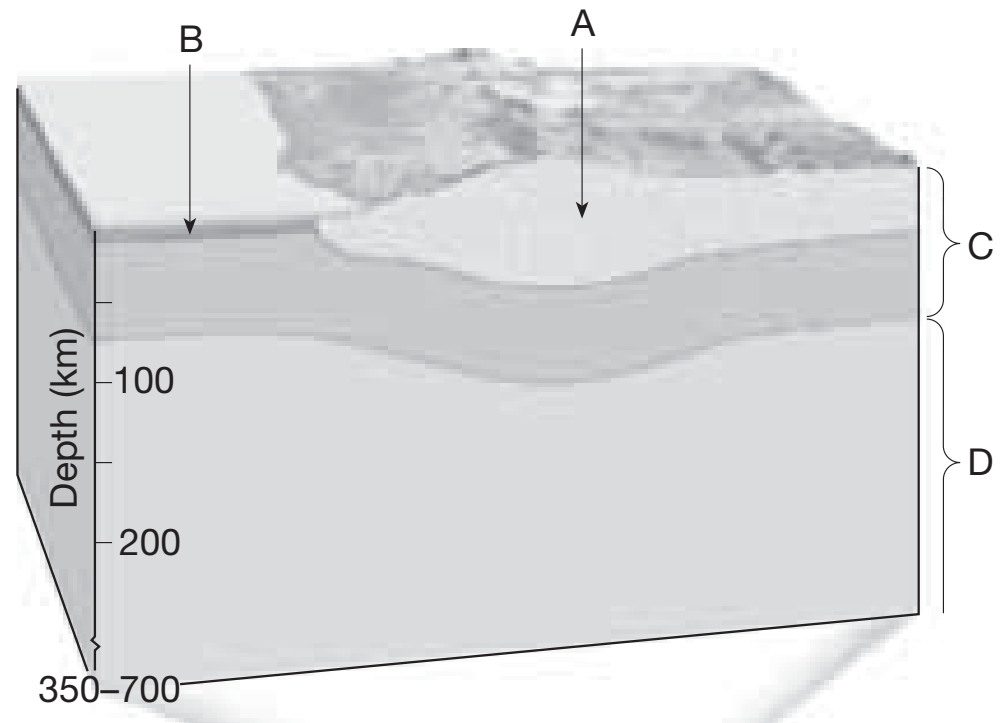
🔑 Use the figure of Earth's structure to write the letter(s) that represents each of the following layers.

asthenosphere _____



continental crust _____

oceanic crust _____

lithosphere _____



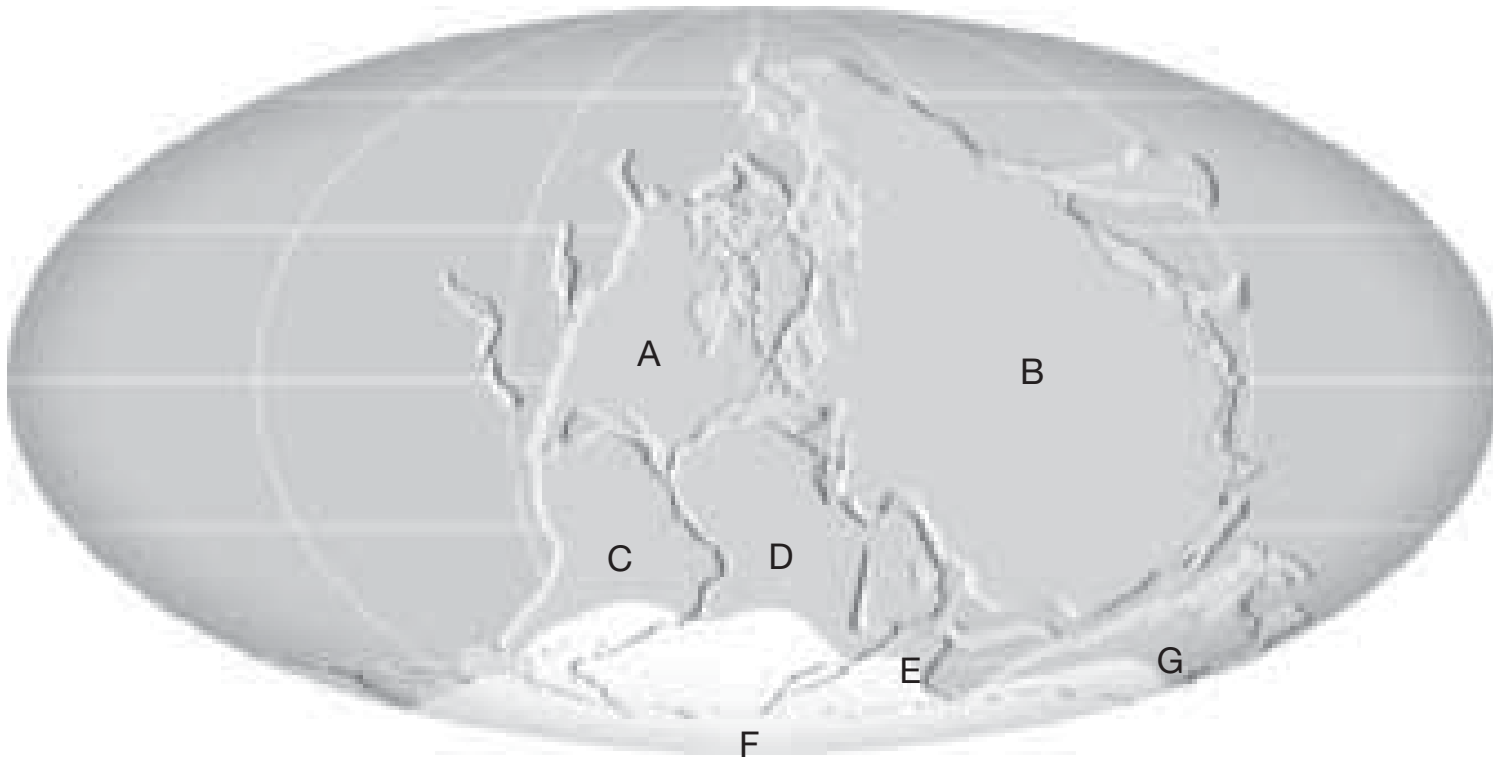
Example

- _____ 2.  Similar mountain chains run through eastern North America and the British Isles.
- _____ 3. Land areas that show evidence of ancient glaciation are now located near the equator.
- _____ 4. The Atlantic coastlines of South America and Africa fit together.
- _____ 5.  Remains of Mesosaurus are limited to eastern South America and southern Africa.

Evidence for Continental Drift

- a. rock types and structures
- b. matching fossils
- c. continental puzzle
- d. ancient climates

🔑 The figure shows Earth's ancient supercontinent as it appeared about 300 million years ago, according to Alfred Wegener. Write the letter that represents each of the following present-day continents.



_____ Antarctica

_____ Europe and Asia

_____ South America



_____ India

_____ North America

_____ Africa

_____ Australia

Definition

- _____ 1. weaker region in the mantle over which Earth's outer shell lies
- _____ 2. segments of the lithosphere that move and change shape
- _____ 3.  rigid layer of the uppermost mantle and crust
- _____ 4.  theory that states that the lithosphere is divided into plates that move

Term

- a. lithosphere
- b. plates
- c. plate tectonics
- d. asthenosphere

Definition

- _____ 1. system that uses sound waves to calculate the distance to an object
- _____ 2. deep faulted structure found along a divergent boundary
- _____ 3. a long chain of mountains extending through Earth's oceans


Term

- a. sonar
- b. rift valley
- c. mid-ocean ridge

fault	rift	tsunami	seismic wave
hot spot	seismic safe	lava	focus
shield volcano	seismograph	composite volcano	
epicenter	cinder cone volcano	magnitude	

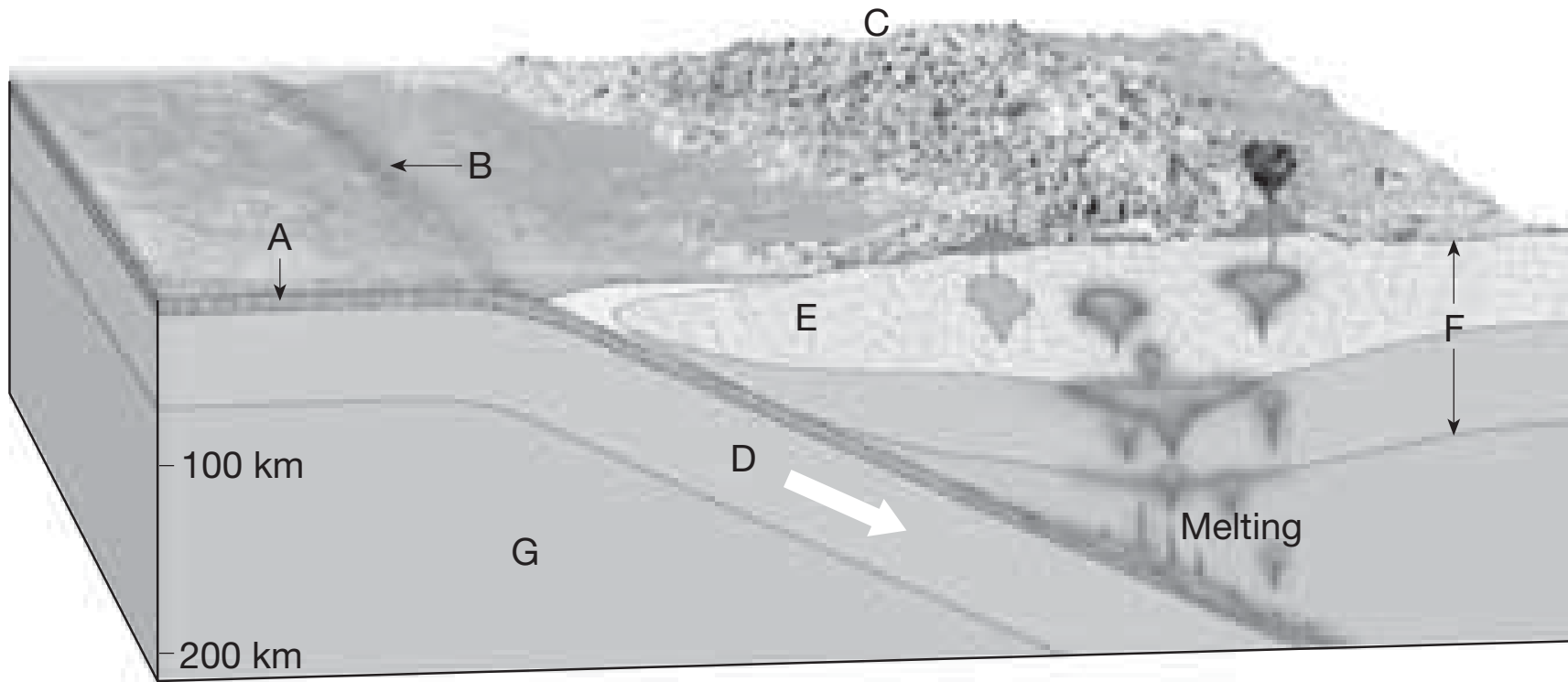
1. broad volcano with gently sloping sides
2. long crack that forms as two tectonic plates move apart
3. magma that reaches Earth's surface
4. point inside Earth where earthquake movement first occurs
5. small volcano formed from tephra
6. the surface of a break in a section of rock
7. powerful sea wave caused by an earthquake
8. steep-sided volcano formed from layers of lava and tephra
9. point on Earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake
10. rising magma that may force its way through Earth's crust, not at a plate boundary
11. type of building structure that can withstand earthquake vibrations
12. waves generated by an earthquake and measured using the Richter scale
13. the instrument scientists use to record the measurements in question 12
14. the height of the lines recorded on a seismograph, or the amount of energy released by an earthquake

Definition

- _____ 3.  process by which plate tectonics produces new oceanic lithosphere
- _____ 4. deep faulted structure found along a divergent boundary
- _____ 5. elevated seafloor along a divergent boundary

Term

- a. seafloor spreading
- b. rift valley
- c. oceanic ridge

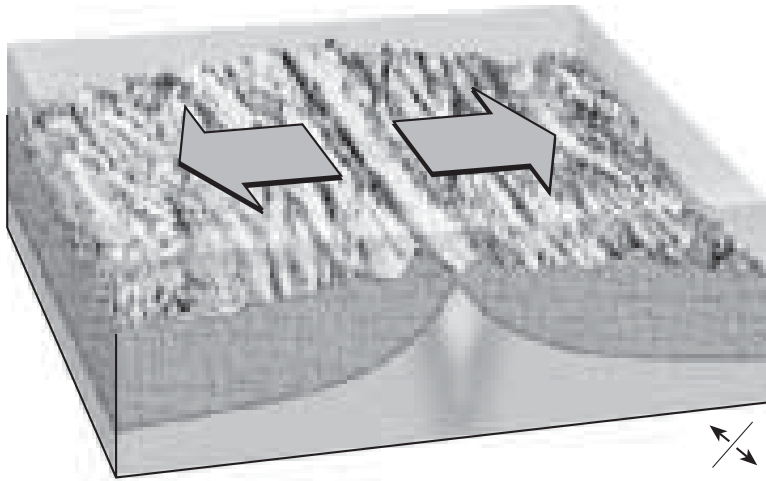


- _____ Sinking oceanic lithosphere
- _____ Oceanic crust
- _____ Trench
- _____ Continental volcanic arc
- _____ Continental lithosphere
- _____ Continental crust
- _____ Asthenosphere

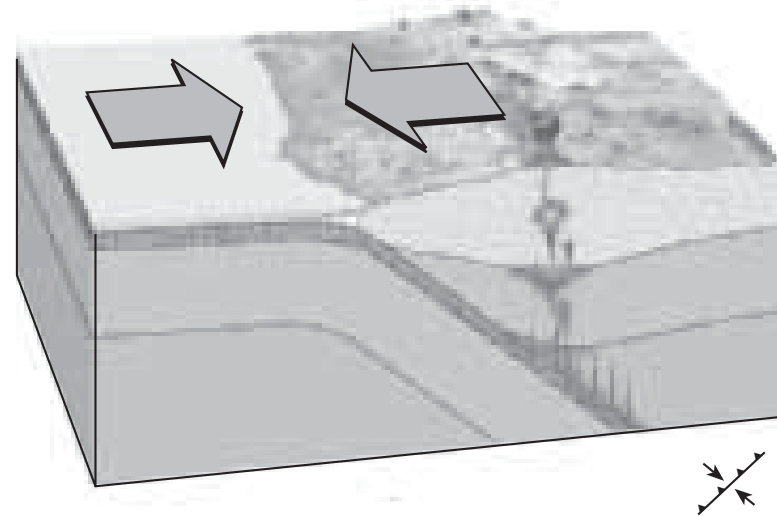
convergent

divergent

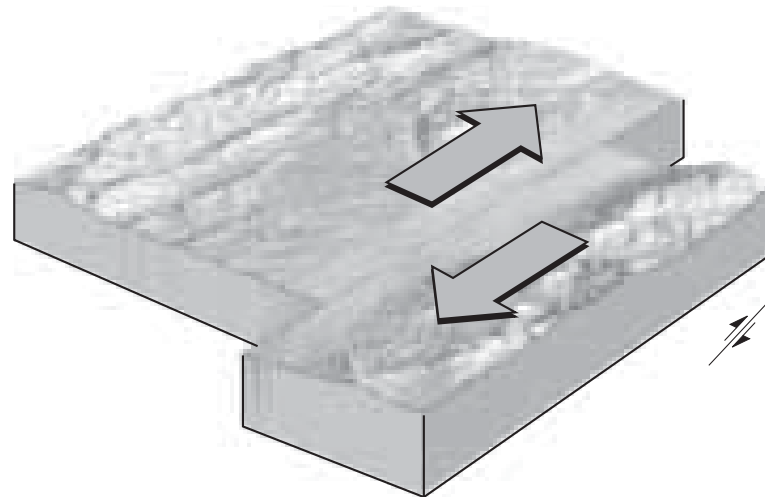
transform fault



A. _____



B. _____

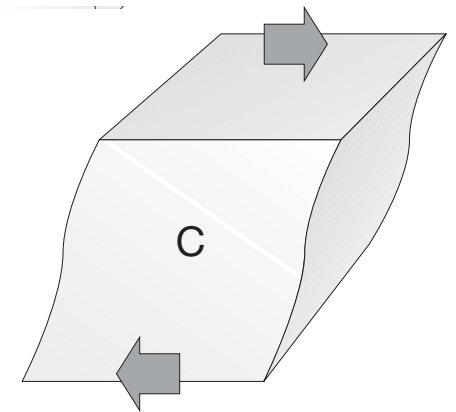
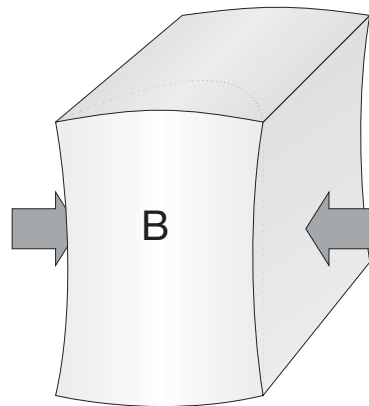
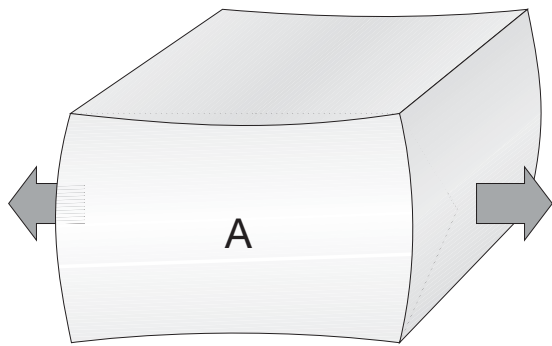


C. _____

compressional stress

shear stress

tensional stress



A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

fault	seismic waves	seismograph	tsunami
stress	focus	aftershock	
earthquake	epicenter	liquefaction	

A. WORD PUZZLE

Complete each word puzzle with the correct vocabulary word. When the puzzle is complete, the letters in the boxes will spell out a word.

1. The point on Earth's surface directly above the focus.

— — — [] — — — — —

2. A shaking of the ground caused by the sudden movement of large blocks of rock along a fault.

— [] — — — — — — — — —

3. A fracture or break in Earth's lithosphere along which blocks of rock move past each other.

— — — [] —

4. Energy travels through these vibrations caused by earthquakes.

— — — — — [] — — — — — — —

5. A process in which shaking causes soil to act like a liquid.

— — — — — [] — — — — — — —

6. The point underground where rocks first begin to move.

— [] — — — —

7. The force exerted when an object presses on, pulls on, or pushes against another object.

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8. A water wave triggered by an earthquake, volcanic eruption, or landslide.

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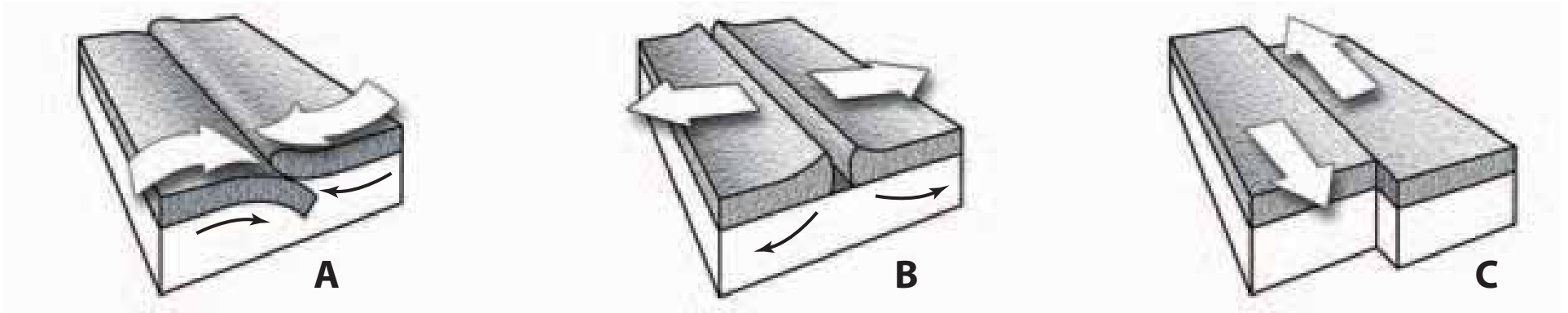
9. An instrument that constantly records ground movements.

— — [] — — — — — — — — —

10. A smaller earthquake that follows a more powerful earthquake in the same area.

[] — — — — — — — — — —

BONUS WORD Write the bonus word on the line and tell how the word relates to earthquakes.



7. transform boundary _____

8. convergent boundary _____

9. divergent boundary _____