

Name: _____

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Weathering

Weathering- _____

Sediments- _____

Causes of Weathering

- Weathering occurs when rocks are exposed to:

- _____

- _____

- _____

- Chemical Weathering- _____

Examples of Chemical Weathering

- Oxidation- when iron combines with oxygen to make iron oxide (rust)

- Effect of water on rock

- Sometimes called the _____, because with enough time water can dissolve almost everything!

- Water can combine with CO₂ to form _____

- Carbonic acid can dissolve most rocks---especially _____

Physical Weathering

- Physical Weathering- _____

Examples of Physical Weathering

- Abrasion- _____
 - Occurs as sediments are moved by _____

 - Characteristic: _____

- Frost Action/ _____ -
 - When water freezes it expands approx. _____ %
 - Water gets trapped in cracks, _____
 - After many cycles of thawing and refreezing, the cracks enlarge and break apart

Example: _____

- Plant Root Growth-
 - Plant roots grow underground and _____
 - After they die and decay it allows for water and oxygen to
_____ deeper into the earth
 - _____ and _____ speed up the breakdown of rock
 - As plants grow they can also spread cracks apart even farther

- Abrupt Temperature Changes-
 - Rocks _____ when heated
 - If temperature increases too _____ the rock will
actually _____.

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Erosion Notes

■ Erosion- _____

■ The driving force behind most types of erosion is _____.

■ Energy from the sun plays an indirect role in erosion

■ Sun's energy drives the _____, which produces
running water and glaciers

Gravity Erosion

■ Mass Movement- _____

Mass Movement involves two forces:

■ _____

■ _____

■ When rain weakens the force of friction gravity then pulls rock and
sediment down a slope

■ Running Water and Streams

■ Running water is _____.

■ During a rainstorm, thin sheets of water often flow over the land and are
confined to a _____.

■ Stream- _____

■ Tributary- _____

■ Watershed- _____

■ Streams carry sediments in various ways:

- _____
- Solid particles (clay sized) _____ in water
- Larger particles are usually carried by rolling, bouncing, or sliding on the streams bottom

■ Stream Abrasion- _____

■ V-Shaped Valley- _____

■ Stream Velocity- three factors are need to determine average velocity (speed)

- _____ - the slope of the stream
- Discharge- _____
- Stream Channel Shape- the shape of the bed of rock that the stream is confined to

■ Variation in stream velocity:

- When a stream channel is _____ the greatest velocity is in the middle
- When a stream channel curves is _____ velocity is on the outside curve
- Velocity is also the _____ just below the surface

■ **Mature Streams:**

■ **Meanders-** _____

- **As it moves from side to side it causes a larger flood plain**

Wind

- **Loose sediment such as sand or smaller particles effect nearby solid surfaces**

■ **Deflation-** _____

- **The lowering of the land surface will continue until there is no more loose sediment**

- _____ - **when wind blows sand or silt against rock or other object**

- **The pelting of sand grains wears away rock**

Glaciers

■ **Glacier-** _____

■ **Glacier Movement:**

- **As more snow and ice _____ the glacier moves forward**

- **As snow and ice melt the glacier _____.**

■ **Its movement is plastic-like**

- **The glacier ice acts like a fluid**

- **Its sometimes called a " _____ "**

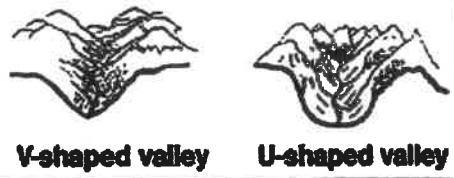
Fragments can be as big as a house

- Fragments can be carried hundreds of miles

■ Alpine Glaciers- _____

- The wide thick ice of the glacier erodes the bedrock and the confining valley walls

- ** _____ - characteristic of glaciers as they erode the valley walls



■ Continental Glaciers- _____

- When a glacier moves over land loose rock and material are frozen to the bottom and dragged along
- These loose rocks are called _____ once they are deposited!
- This material frozen to the bottom acts like sandpaper and scrapes the bedrock

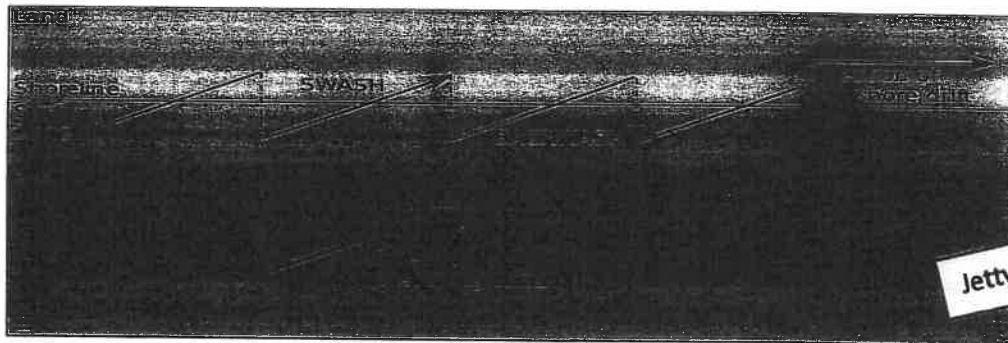
■ Glacial Grooves- _____

Waves and Currents

- Where lakes and oceans meet land, waves and currents act as agents of _____

- As a wave approach the shore it _____ upon the ^{or} bottom

- The wave becomes unstable and "breaks"
- As waves approach the shore a great amount of energy is released
- Usually waves approach at an _____
- Water comes in at one angle and leaves in at another creating a zigzag pattern
- This zigzag pattern cause a flow of water along the beach called a _____
- The waves constantly hit the shore and erode the sand while the long shore current _____ the sand down the beach



Deposition

- Deposition- _____

- In deposition, materials are placed in locations where they may form beds or layers of sedimentary rock

■ Factors Causing Deposition

- Velocity of an erosional system decrease
 - As wind _____ it cannot hold blow sediment anymore so it is deposited

■ As a stream slows down sediment cannot be suspended so it falls to the stream bed

■ The sediments themselves determine how fast they are deposited

■ Size- _____

■ Shape- _____ sediments will settle faster and _____ sediments will take longer

■ Density- sediment that is _____ will settle faster

■ Sorting of Sediment

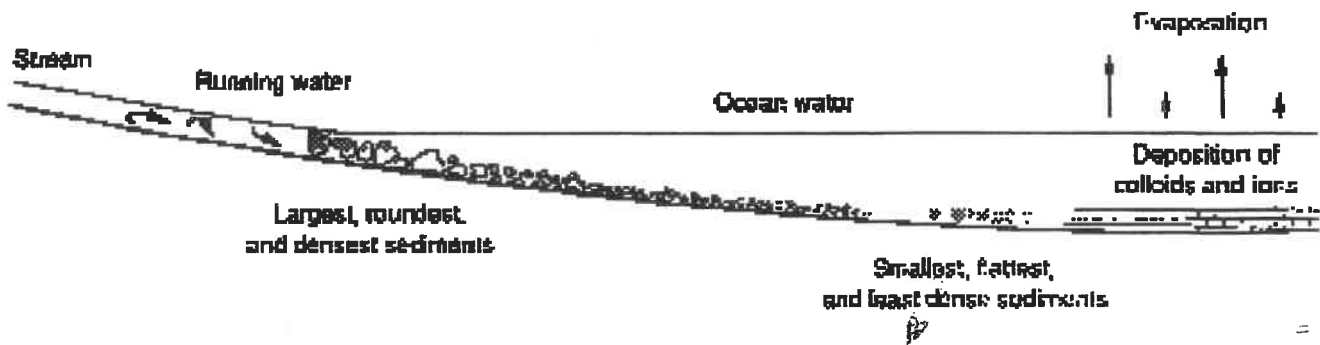
■ During deposition, sediments of similar size, shape, and density get separated or sorted by types

■ Sorted Sediment- _____

■ _____ - layers of sediment that are mixed in size, shape, and density

■ Horizontal Sorting- when the velocity of a wind or water erosional system gradually decreases, the larger, denser particles settle out first

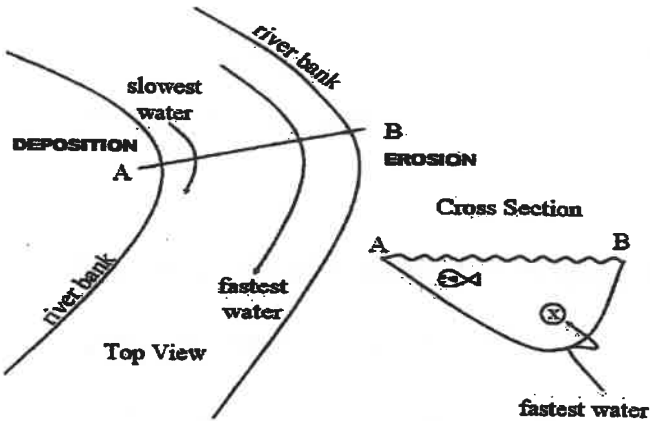
■ Size, roundness, and density gradually _____ as you move farther out



■ Streams Deposition

■ Streams deposit their material in many different ways

■ Sediment is deposited on the _____ of a meander



■ Levee _____

■ When a stream floods and overflows most of the sediment is deposited over a _____.

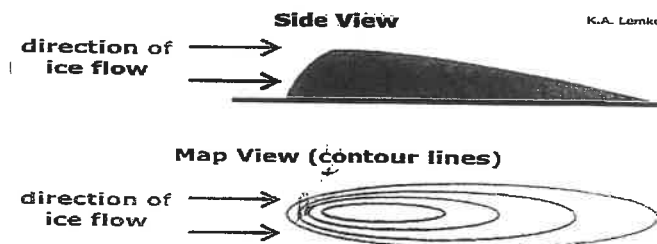
■ Flood Plain _____

■ Glaciers

■ Where the glacier stops forward movement sediment is dropped in an unsorted pile called a _____

■ Drumlins _____

■ Shows a glaciers direction of movement



- **Kettle Lakes**- large blocks of ice that leave a depression in the ground and after they melt fill the hole

- **Outwash Plain**- a broad delta-like feature of sorted sediment deposits

- **Waves**

- **Beach**- _____

- **Barrier Island**- a sandbar that rises above sea level (ex. Fire Island)

- **Wind**

- **Sand Dune**- sand deposited in layers or in mounds

- Gentle slope facing the wind

- Steep slope on the side the wind is blowing towards

- **Gravity**

- **Mass Movement**- after an avalanche or landslide the sediment tends to be

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