

The image features a variety of geological specimens. At the top, there are three distinct samples: a green and white crystalline mineral, a translucent brownish-gold mineral, and a dark, prismatic black mineral. Below the title, there are several more specimens: a green mineral on the left, a small dark mineral in the center, and a large, light-colored mineral on the right. At the bottom, there are three more samples: a light-colored mineral with dark inclusions on the left, a reddish-orange mineral with a dark matrix in the center, and a yellowish-orange mineral on the right. The central text is overlaid on a semi-transparent white rectangle.

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Learn About Rocks & Gemstones



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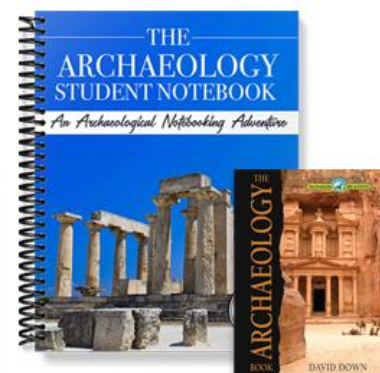
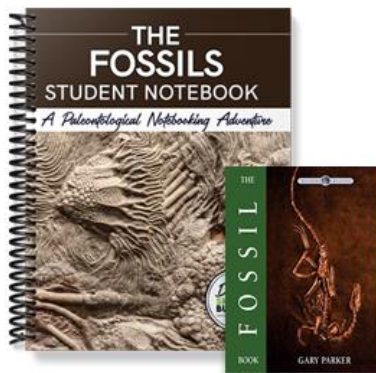
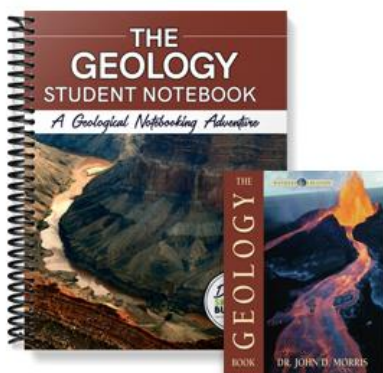
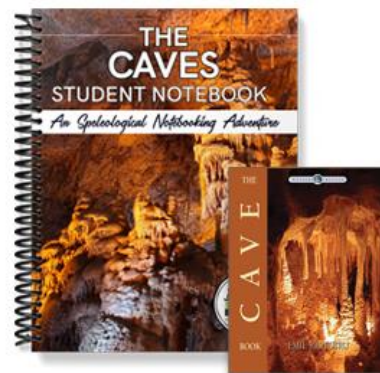
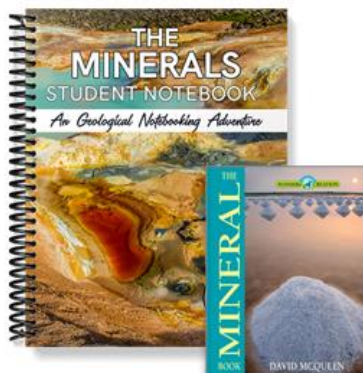
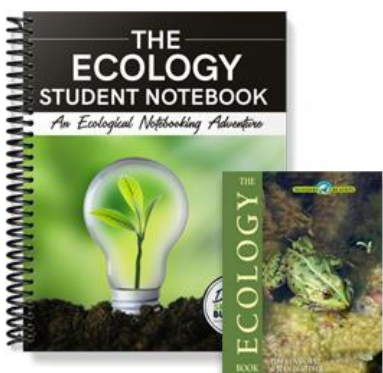
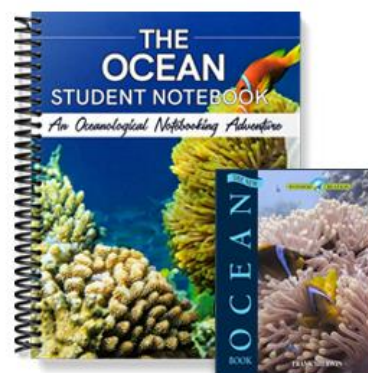
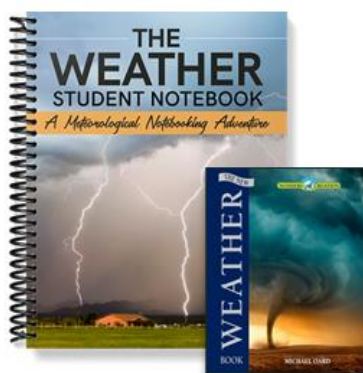
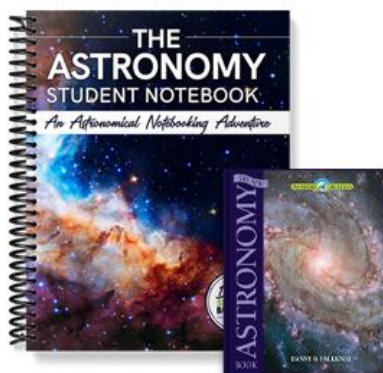
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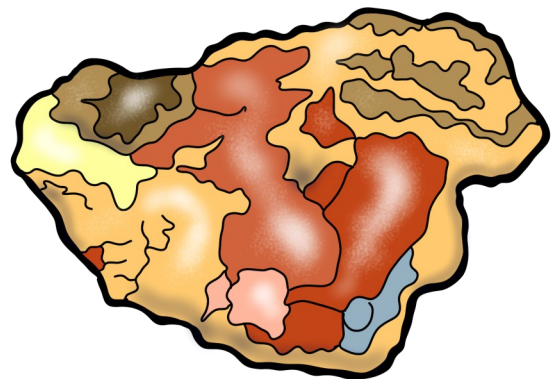
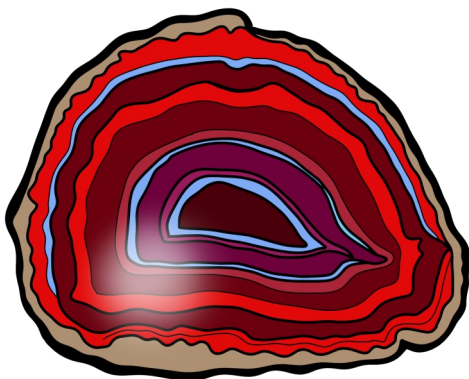
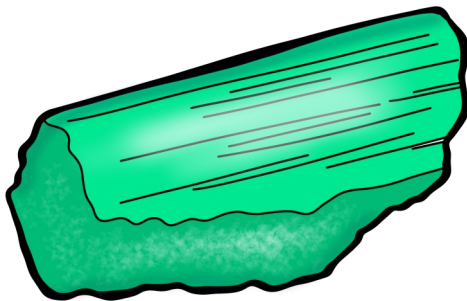
Igneous, Sedimentary, and Metamorphic Rocks

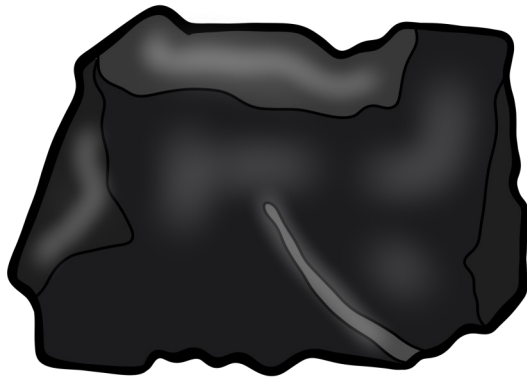
Name	Type	Color	Uses
Basalt	Igneous	black, dark brown	floor tiles, paving stones, building stones, whetstones
Diorite	Igneous	black, white	floor tiles, countertops, paving stones
Dolomite	Sedimentary	white, gray, pink, light brown	manufacturing iron and steel; used in paint, putty, rubber
Felsite	Igneous	white, light gray, red, tan	flooring, paving stones, some jewelry
Granite	Igneous	white, pink, gray	countertops, floor tiles, bench tops, building stone, paving stone
Limestone	Sedimentary	gray	building material, cement, refining metals, improving soil
Marble	Metamorphic	white, red, brown, green, black	building material, monuments
Quartzite	Metamorphic	white in pure form	countertops, floor tiles, beads, decorations
Sandstone	Sedimentary	cream, gray, red, brown, green	countertops, decorations, buildings, manufacturing
Schist	Metamorphic	varies widely	not stable enough for many practical uses
Serpentine	Metamorphic	gray, white, green, yellow, green-blue	roofing materials, siding, shingles
Shale	Sedimentary	red, purple, blue, green, black, light gray, yellow	strong clay, cement



Gemstones and Minerals

Name	Locations Where It Can Be Found	Color	Uses
Agate	Brazil and Uruguay	white, gray, black	jewelry, mortars and pestles
Amethyst	Brazil, Uruguay, Sri Lanka, Siberia, India, Madagascar, Mexico, Canada	purple or blue-violet	jewelry
Carnelian	India, South America, Japan	orange or reddish-brown	jewelry
Diamond	Australia, Canada, Russia, parts of Africa	wide variety including colorless	jewelry and many types of industry
Kyanite	Australia, East Africa, India, United States	pale blue	line special manufacturing ovens
Rhodochrosite	Romania, United States	rose-red, pink, pale brown	producing steel
Tourmaline	Brazil, United States, Madagascar	pink, blue, green, yellow, brown, black	jewelry, industrial uses
Turquoise	Iran, Tibet	sky-blue, blue-green, yellow-green	jewelry



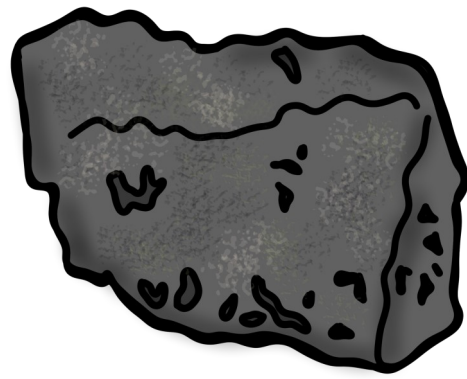


Basalt

Type: igneous

Colors: black, dark brown

Uses: floor tiles, paving stones, building stones, whetstones

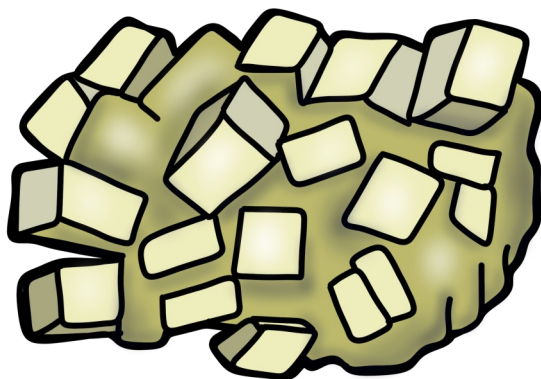


Diorite

Type: igneous

Colors: black, white

Uses: floor tiles, countertops, paving stones

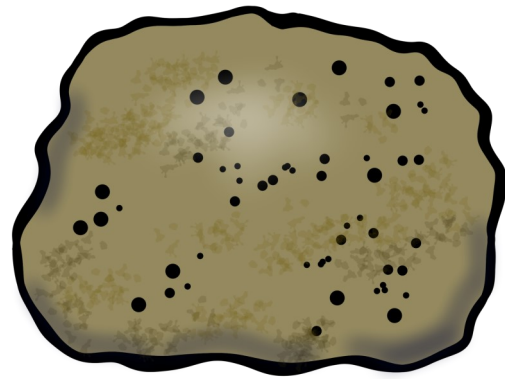


Dolomite

Type: sedimentary

Colors: white, gray, pink, light brown

Uses: manufacturing iron and steel; used in paint, putty, rubber

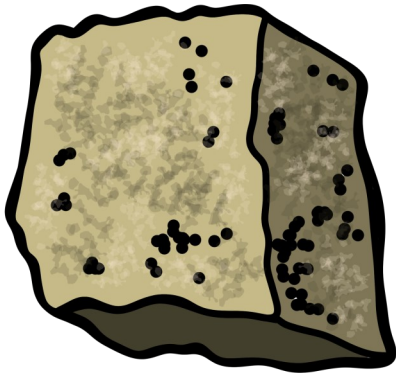


Felsite

Type: igneous

Colors: white, light gray, red, tan

Uses: flooring, paving stones, some jewelry

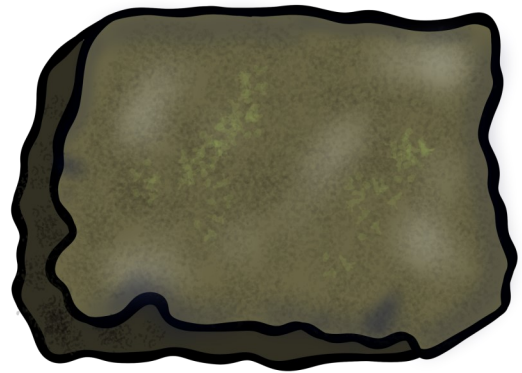


Granite

Type: igneous

Colors: white, pink, gray

Uses: countertops, floor tiles, bench tops, building stone, paving stone



Limestone

Type: sedimentary

Colors: gray

Uses: building material, cement, refining metals, improving soil

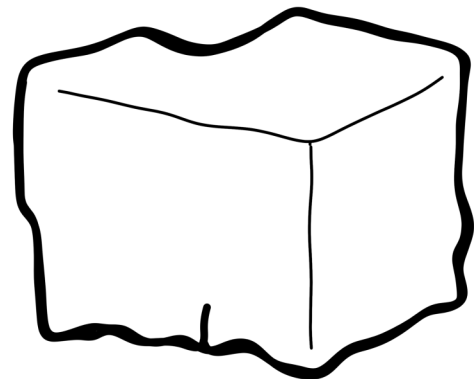


Marble

Type: metamorphic

Colors: white, red, brown, green, black

Uses: building material, monuments

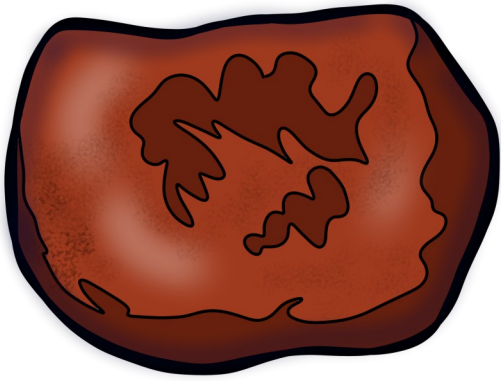


Quartzite

Type: metamorphic

Colors: white in pure form

Uses: countertops, floor tiles, beads, decorations



Sandstone

Type: sedimentary

Colors: cream, gray, red, brown, green

Uses: countertops, decorations, buildings, and in manufacturing

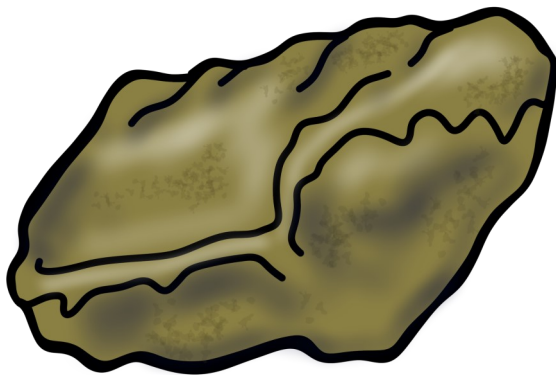


Schist

Type: metamorphic

Colors: varies widely

Uses: not stable enough for many practical uses



Serpentine

Type: metamorphic

Colors: gray, white, green, yellow, green-blue

Uses: roofing materials, siding, shingles

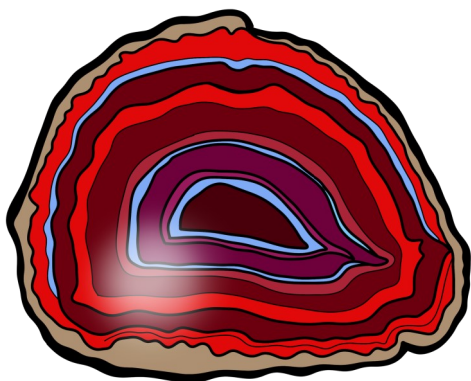


Shale

Type: sedimentary

Colors: red, purple, blue, green, black, light gray, yellow

Uses: strong clay, cement



Agate

Location: Brazil and Uruguay

Colors: white, gray, black

Uses: jewelry, mortars and pestles

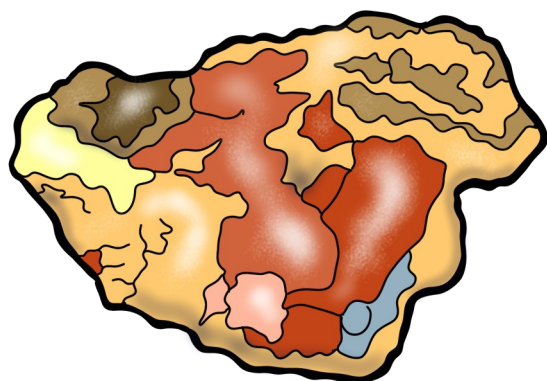


Amethyst

Location: Brazil, Uruguay, Sri Lanka, Siberia, India, Madagascar, Mexico, Canada

Colors: purple or blue-violet

Uses: jewelry

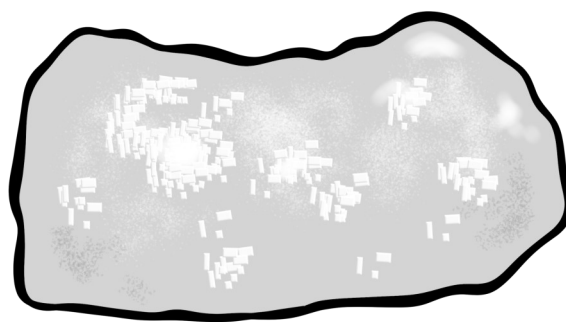


Carnelian

Location: India, South America, Japan

Colors: orange or reddish-brown

Uses: jewelry

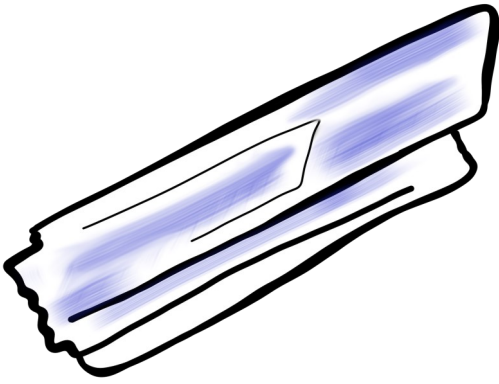


Diamond

Location: Australia, Canada, Russia, parts of Africa

Colors: wide variety including colorless

Uses: jewelry and many types of industry

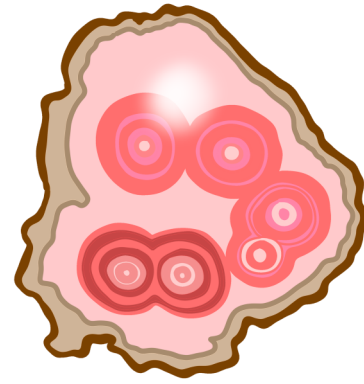


Kyanite

Location: Australia, East Africa, India, United States

Colors: pale blue

Uses: line special manufacturing ovens

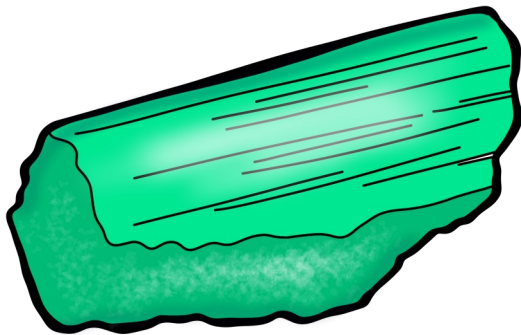


Rhodochrosite

Location: Romania, United States

Colors: rose-red, pink, pale brown

Uses: producing steel

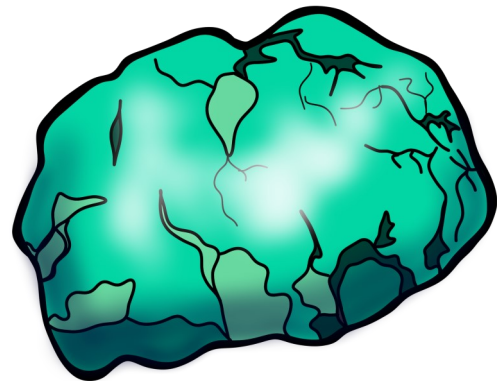


Tourmaline

Location: Brazil, United States, Madagascar

Colors: pink, blue, green, yellow, brown, black

Uses: jewelry, industrial uses

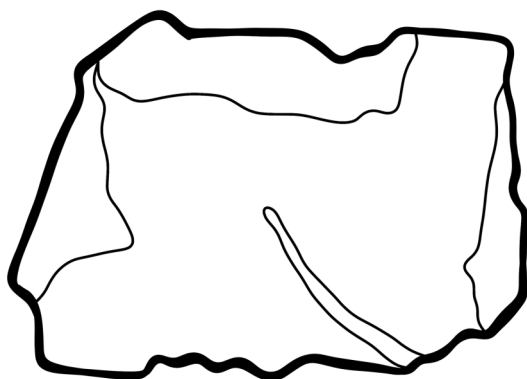


Turquoise

Location: Iran, Tibet

Colors: sky-blue, blue-green, yellow-green

Uses: jewelry

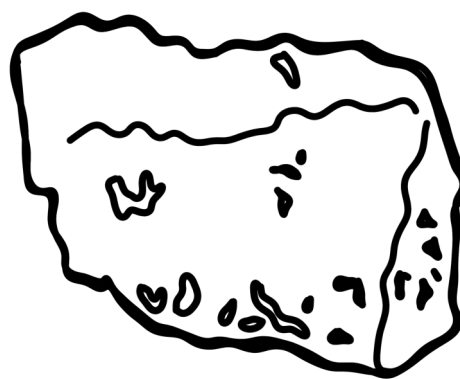


Basalt

Type: _____

Colors: _____

Uses: _____

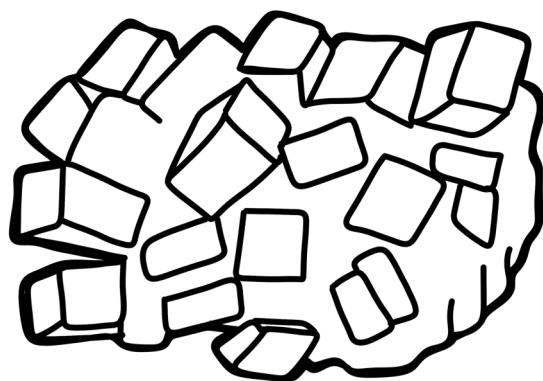


Diorite

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Colors: _____

Uses: _____

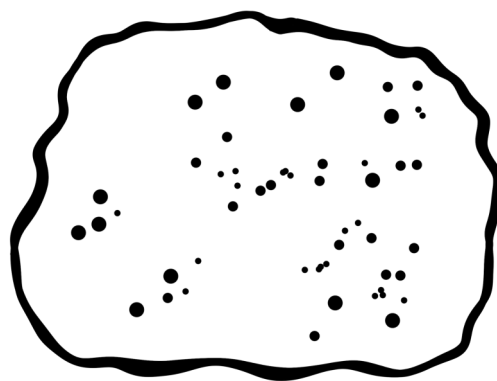


Dolomite

Type: _____

Colors: _____

Uses: _____

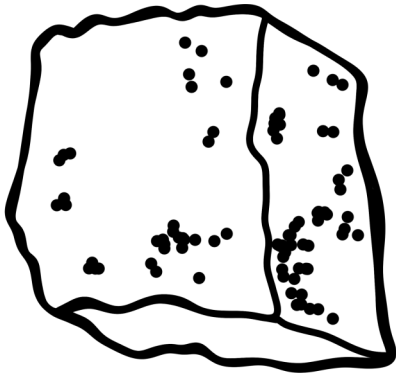


Felsite

Type: _____

Colors: _____

Uses: _____

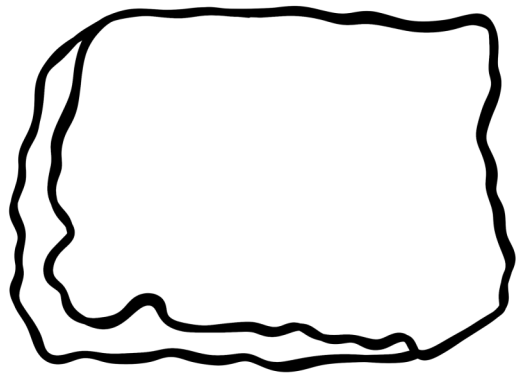


Granite

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Colors: _____

Uses: _____

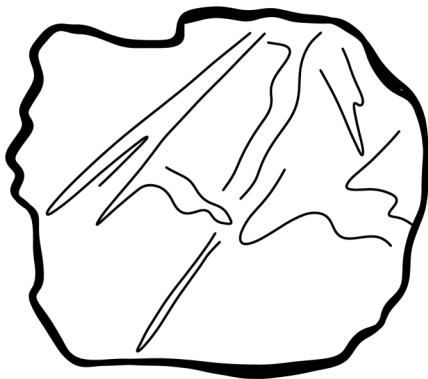


Limestone

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Colors: _____

Uses: _____

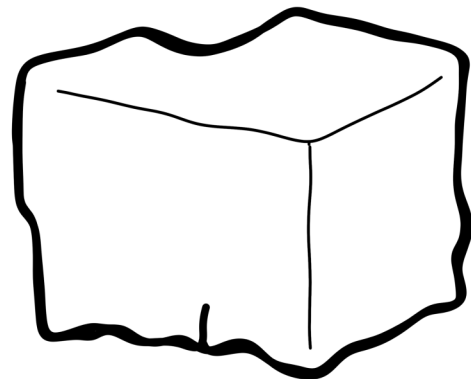


Marble

Type: _____

Colors: _____

Uses: _____

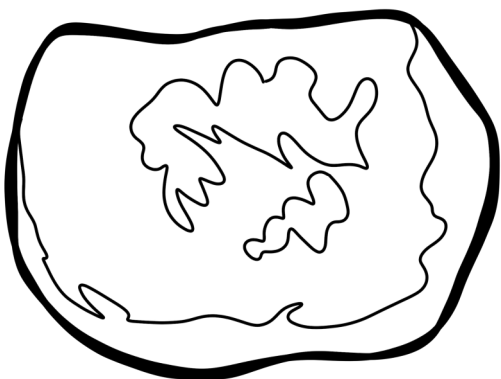


Quartzite

Type: _____

Colors: _____

Uses: _____



Sandstone

Type: _____

Colors: _____

Uses: _____

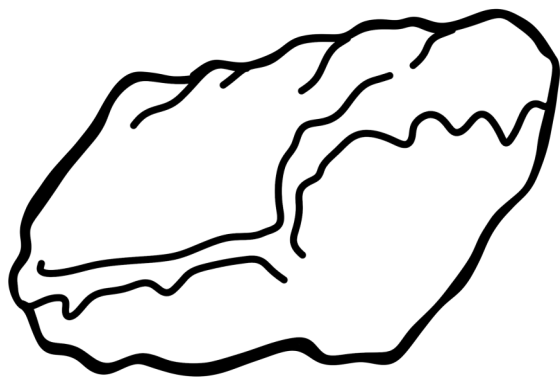


Schist

Type: _____

Colors: _____

Uses: _____

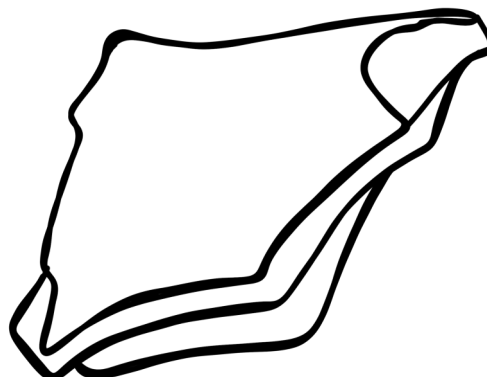


Serpentine

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Uses: _____

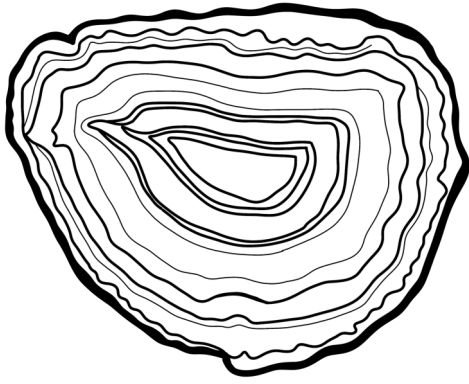


Shale

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Uses: _____

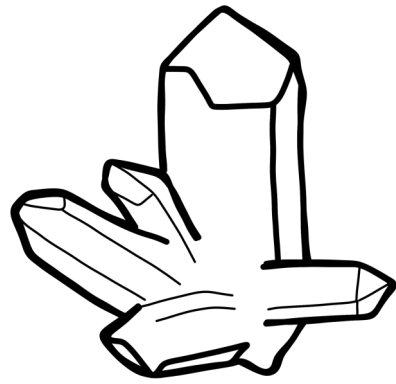


Agate

Location: _____

Colors: _____

Uses: _____

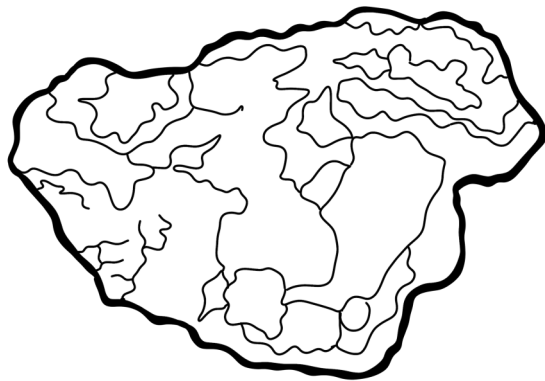


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Uses: _____

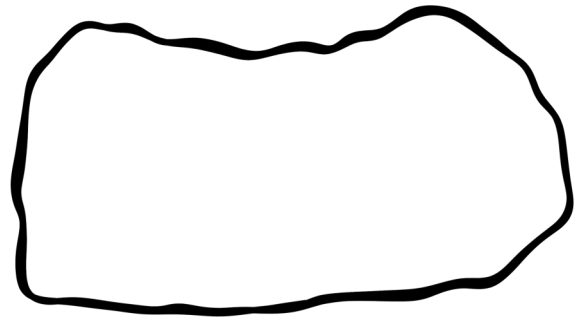


Carnelian

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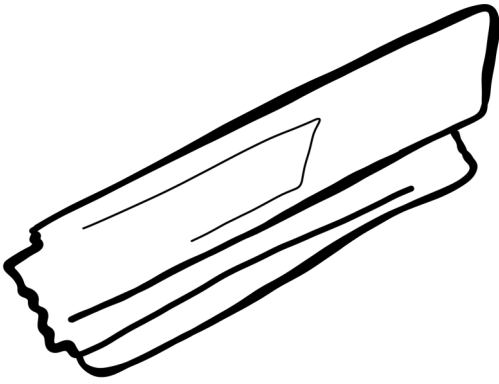


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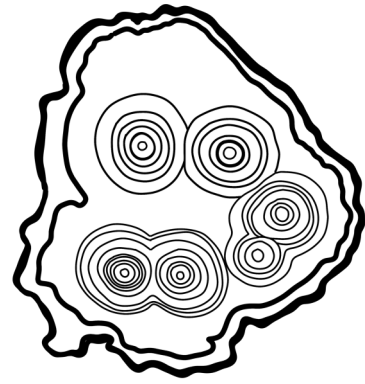


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Uses: _____

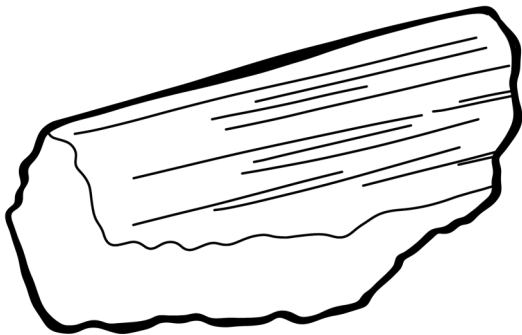


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Colors: _____

Uses: _____

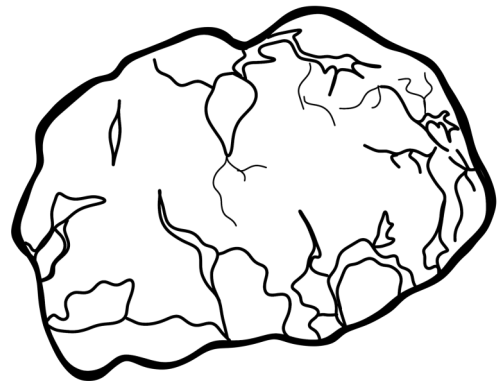


Tourmaline

Location: _____

Colors: _____

Uses: _____



Turquoise

Location: _____

Colors: _____

Uses: _____