



Geology

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- Elective Courses
- Make-up Courses
- Substitution Courses
- Unit Studies

- Summer School Courses
- Remedial Courses
- Multi-level Teaching
- Thematic Studies

Course Titles	Suggested Credits
Astronomy (Jr. High and above)	½ credit
Composition	$\frac{1}{2}$ credit
Geography	$\frac{1}{2}$ credit
Geology	$^{1}/_{2}$ credit
Life of Christ (Jr. High and above)	$\frac{1}{2}$ credit
Life Science	$^{1}/_{2}$ credit
Mankind: Anthropology and Sociology	¹ / ₂ credit

Geology

High School Level (1/2 credit)

Physical Geology

Science LIFEPAC 903

Earth Structures

- Shape
- Rocks
- Layers
- Igneous Structures
- Mountains

Earth Changes

- Weathering
- Erosion and Sedimentation

Earth Movements

- Isostasy
- Folding
- Folding
- Plate Tectonics

Historical Geology

Science LIFEPAC 904

An Observational Science

- The Science
- Sedimentary Rock
- Fossils
- Crustal Changes

Measuring Time

- Relative Time
- Absolute Time

Oceanography

Science LIFEPAC 908

History of Oceanography

- Chronology of Oceanography
- Techniques for Investigation
- Major Discoveries
- Submersible Research

Geology of the Ocean

- Geological Structure
- Results of Profiling
- Turbidity and Sedimentation
- World's System of Currents

Biological, Chemical, and Physical Properties

- Graphs
- Charts
- Other Resource Material

The Atmosphere

Science LIFEPAC 705

Structure of the Atmosphere

- Gases
- Layers
- Solar Effects
- Influences on Life
- Changes

Natural Cycles

- Water Cycle
- Carbon-Oxygen Cycle
- Nitrogen Cycle

Pollution

- Types of Pollutants
- Effects in Life
- Our Responsibility

Climate

Science LIFEPAC 707

Climate: General

- Weather
- Climate and Weather
- Parts of Climate

Climate: Worldwide

- Factors Affecting Climate
- General Distribution of Climate

Climate: Regional

- Classification of Climate
- Distribution of Climate Types

Climate: Local

- How Climate Affects People
- People, Communities, and Climate

Materials Needed for LIFEPAC

Required: Suggested: pencil, desk or small table, long sheet of paper, string, brick double-pan balance, set of metric masses, string, various rocks, beaker

Additional Learning Activities

Section I Earth Structures

- 1. Organize a field trip to a local rock or mineralogy museum.
- 2. With a classmate gather several rock samples. Your teacher may have some you can use. Check each sample for color and weight. See if you can determine whether the rocks are igneous, sedimentary, or metamorphic.
- 3. With a classmate find the directions in a library science reference book for making a "volcano." Construct one to show your class.
- 4. In the library science resource books look up *minerals*. Write a one-page report on minerals and how they relate to rocks.

Section II Earth Changes

- 1. Demonstrate the effect of sedimentation by stirring dirt into a beaker full of water. Set the beaker aside. Lead a class discussion on how sedimentation takes place in the oceans and lakes.
- 2. With a classmate demonstrate the effects of mechanical weathering. Heat a piece of glass tubing over the flame of a Bunsen burner. Be sure to use forceps. When the tubing is very hot, plunge it into cold water. What happens?
- 3. Demonstrate another effect of mechanical weathering with a friend. Fill a glass bottle with water. Wrap the bottle with a towel and set it in the freezer overnight. Carefully check the bottle. What happened?
- 4. Pour a mixture of small gravel, sand, and clay into a jar of water. Stir vigorously and let stand. Check the jar later to see what material has settled to the bottom first. Were layers formed?

Section III Earth Movements

- 1. With a friend trace the continents of the world on a map. Then cut each continent out. See if you can fit the "puzzle" pieces together.
- 2. Write to the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C., 20244. Ask for a contour map of the area you live in.
- 3. Read a book on the drifting continents. Write a one-page report on the book. Be sure to include your scientific opinion of what is really happening to the continents. Make sure your opinion is reasonable based on your research.

SECTION ONE

1.1	Eratosthenes	1.29	basalt		
1.2	Ptolemy	1.30	crust		
1.3	sphere	1.31	mantle		
1.4	During a lunar eclipse, the earth's	1.32	asthenosphere		
	shadow on the moon is circular.	1.33	The gravitational pull of the earth is		
1.5	The width was one-eighth of a minute of		greater than the weight of surface rock.		
	latitude.	1.34	Either order:		
1.6	true		a. earth's magnetic field		
1.7	true		b. meteorite composition		
1.8	true	1.35	Either order:		
1.9	igneous		a. compression waves		
1.10	lava		b. sideways shaking motions		
1.11	magma		(vibrations)		
1.12	Either order:	1.36	Sideways vibrations do not move		
	a. tuff		through liquids; sideways shock waves		
	b. volcanic ash		get lost at 2,900 kilometers.		
1.13	b–c; either order:	1.37	a. The line is straight down the		
	a. quartz		paper.		
	b. feldspar		b. The line is wavy and jagged		
	c. mica		rather than straight and smooth.		
1.14	basalt		c. The line has big notches (jagged		
1.15	a. cooled from magma or lava		marks) and these get smaller		
	b. laid in place by moving water, ice,		down to a straight even line.		
	or wind	1.38	true		
	c. put under pressure, or under heat	1.39	true		
	and pressure	1.40	false		
1.16	a. sandstone	1.41	false		
	b. conglomerate	1.42	false		
	c. breccia	1.43	C		
	d. siltstone or shale	1.44	b		
1.17	a. slate or schist	1.45	Either order:		
	b. marble		a. silicon		
4.40	c. quartzite		b. oxygen		
1.18	true	1.46	size		
1.19	false	1.47	pressure		
1.20	true	1.48	intrusive		
1.21	true	1.49	sill		
1.22	false	1.50	joints		
1.23	false	1.51	shield		
1.24	C	1.52	Either order:		
1.25	a		a. silicon		
1.26	C	1 50	b. oxygen		
1.27	b	1.53	Any order:		
1.28	hydrosphere		a. potassium		

Science 903 Answer Key

	b. aluminum	1.68	false
	c. sodium	1.69	scarp
	d. magnesium	1.70	magma
	e. calcium or iron	1.71	mesas
1.54	Slow cooling allows time for molecules	1.72	erosion
	to move and come in contact with other	1.73	Either order:
	similar molecules.		a. along zones of weakness
1.55	teacher check		b. over "hot spots"
1.56	false	1.74	Any order:
1.57	true		a. shields of lava flows
1.58	true		b. cinder cones
1.59	true		c. combinations of a and b
1.60	false	1.75	Any order:
1.61	a		a. volcanoes
1.62	С		b. folded mountains
1.63	Lava flows flow out of a fissure. A vol-		c. fault-block
	cano is the result of lava finding a		d. domes
	small place where the ground is weak.		e. erosional remnants
1.64	huge waves of ocean water or dust in the sky		
1.65	teacher check		
1.66	false		
1.67	true		
SECTION TWO			

2.1	true		e. in a sand dune
2.2	false	2.13	Any order:
2.3	true		a. wind
2.4	a		b. water
2.5	b		c. ice
2.6	They can be turned into rock (stone).	2.14	Either order:
2.7	Either order:		a. dissolves minerals
	a. chemical		b. freezes and expands
	b. mechanical	2.15	topsoil – decayed vegetation
2.8	Either order:		subsoil – weathered rock
	a. plant roots		regolith – partly weathered rock
	b. decaying plants		bedrock – unweathered rock
2.9	exfoliation	2.16	true
2.10	talus	2.17	false
2.11	clay	2.18	false
2.12	Any order:	2.19	true
	a. on the floor plain of a river	2.20	false
	b. in a lake	2.21	true
	c. at the mouth of a river	2.22	true
	d. on a sandbar	2.23	true
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