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# Garnet Jewels (January birthstone)



# Amethyst Jewels (February birthstone)



# Aquamarine Jewels (March birthstone)



# Diamond Jewels (April birthstone)

DIAMOND JEWELRY



# Emerald Jewels (May birthstone)



# Alexandrite and Pearl Jewels (June birthstones)



# Ruby Jewels (July birthstones)



# Peridotite Jewels (August birthstone)



<http://pennyweights.com/Browse-Jewelry/Earrings-Peridot/?show=25&sort=popular>



# Sapphire Jewels (September birthstone)



# Opal Jewels (October birthstone)



# Citrine Jewels (November birthstone)

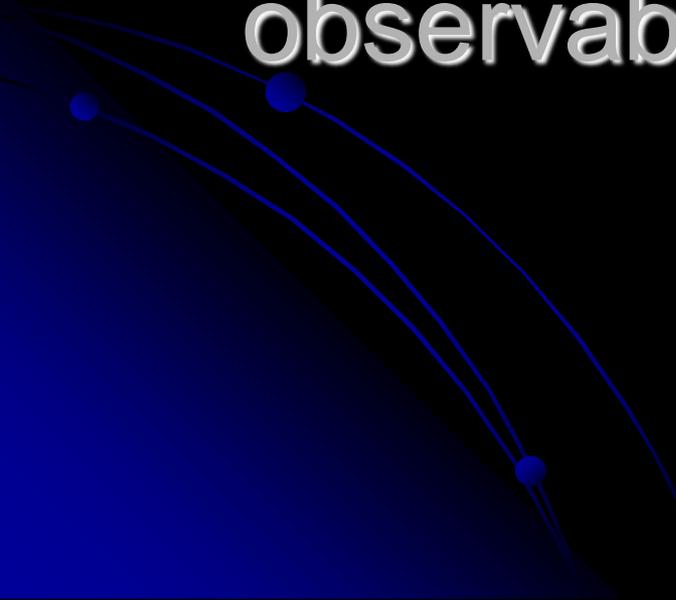


# Tanzanite Jewels (December birthstone)



# Review of Bird ID

Using Physical Properties to identify them means looking at their observable external features.





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You did not look at the chemical properties of birds to identify them (such as their DNA), even though the physical depends on the chemical.

Similarly, we will be looking at the physical properties of minerals to identify them even though their chemical structure determines them.

# MINERALS

Physical Property: An feature of a mineral that is easily observable or tested; depends on the internal arrangement of atoms in the mineral.

Chemical Property: A feature that describes the composition and arrangement of atoms in a mineral.

- Composition: What an object is made up of.

Crystal: A solid where the atoms are arranged in an organized and repeating pattern

# Atoms: A chemical property

- Atoms – basic building blocks for all earth materials; consist of 3 basic components: protons, neutrons, electrons

Atoms are made out of three basic particles:



Protons - carry a positive charge



Neutrons - carry no charge



Protons and Neutrons join together to form the Nucleus - the central part of the atom

- Electrons - carry a negative charge and circle the nucleus

# Atoms combine to form Elements

- **Element** – fundamental component that can not be broken down into other substances by ordinary chemical processes. Composed of only one type of atom.
- **Elements combine to form compounds**
- **Compound:** A substance composed of two or more types of atoms (elements) chemically bonded together

# MINERALS

## NATIVE ELEMENTS

Gold (Au)

Silver (Ag)

Platinum (Pt)

Diamond (C)

Graphite (C)

Sulfur (S)

Copper (Cu)

Gold



Copper



Silver

# What are the criteria to be a mineral?

- **1. Crystalline solid – A solid where the atoms are arranged in a repeating pattern**
- **2. Naturally occurring – not manufactured by humans**
- **3. Have a definite chemical composition – may be a single element or combination**
- **4. Inorganic – not made by living things**

Mineral

NATURAL

Iron ore  
(hematite)

SOLID

Sand  
(quartz)

INORGANIC

Rock salt  
(halite)

Nonmineral

ARTIFICIAL

Cast iron  
(metallic iron)

LIQUID

Seawater  
(H<sub>2</sub>O | salts)

ORGANIC

Vegetation  
(cellulose)

GAS

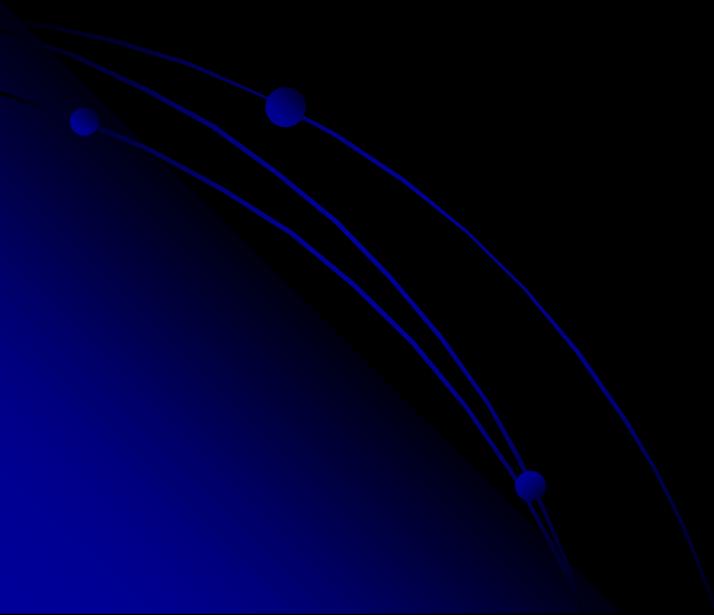
Air  
(oxygen)

Fig. 2.1

# MINERAL FORMATION

Minerals form due to crystallization

Crystallization: The formation of mineral crystals from a liquid



# MINERAL FORMATION

- Mineral Formation #1  
**CRYSTALLIZE FROM MAGMA or LAVA**  
solidification of liquid magma/lava to solid  
with an organized internal arrangement of  
atoms



# MINERAL FORMATION

- Mineral Formation #2

## PRECIPITATE FROM SOLUTION

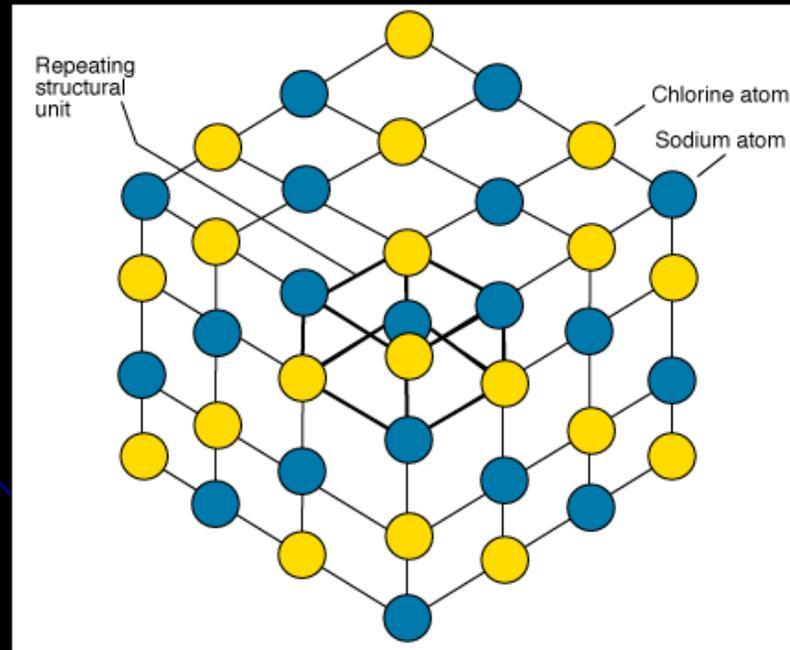
something that was once dissolved in water comes out of solution and becomes a crystalline solid

# Mineral Precipitates Video



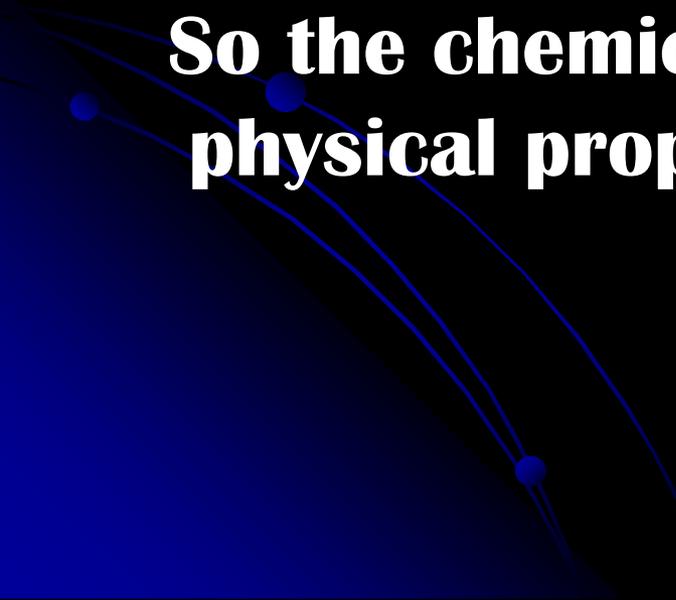
# When magma cools or a precipitate forms, atoms organize into repeating patterns!

regularly repeating, orderly pattern



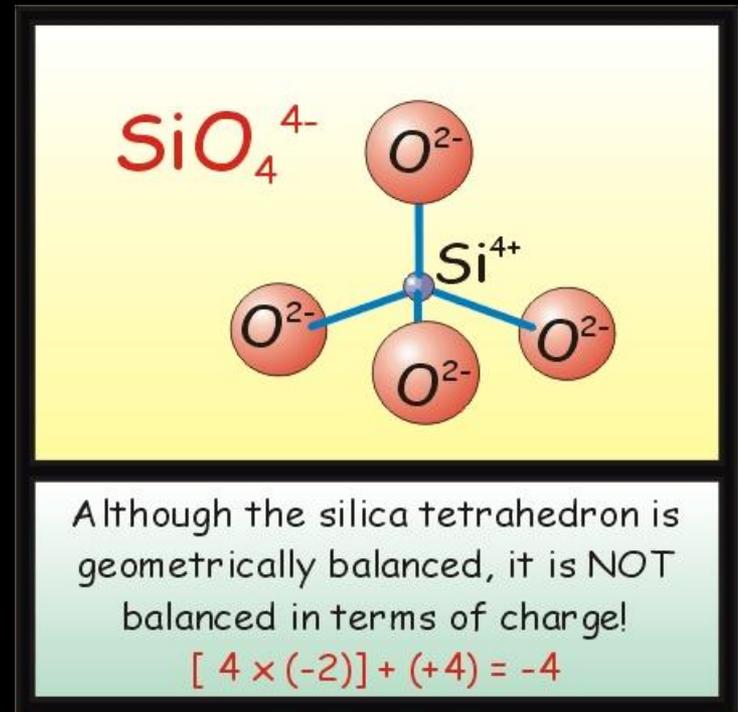
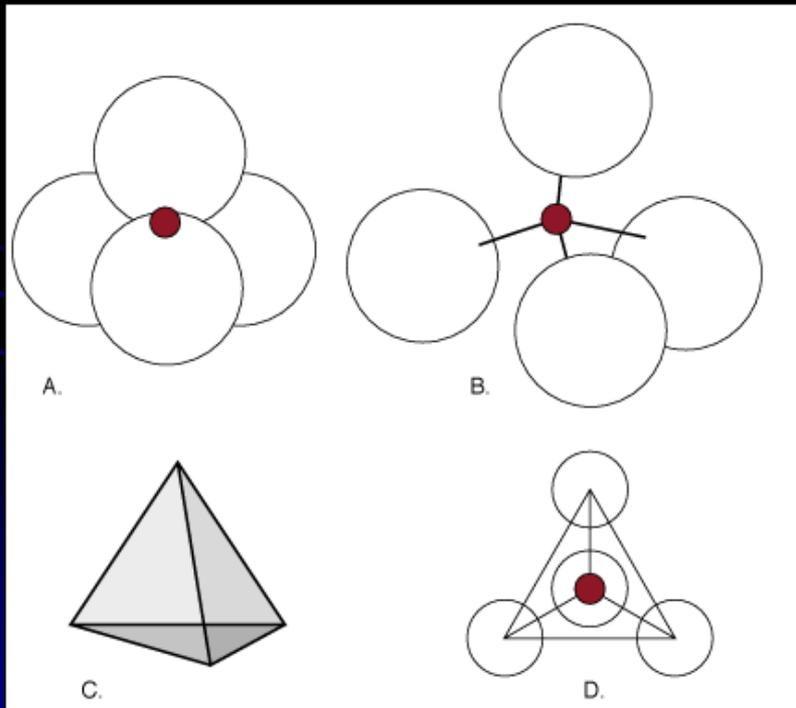
**The internal arrangement of atoms  
control a mineral's physical  
properties**

**So the chemical properties determine the  
physical properties!**



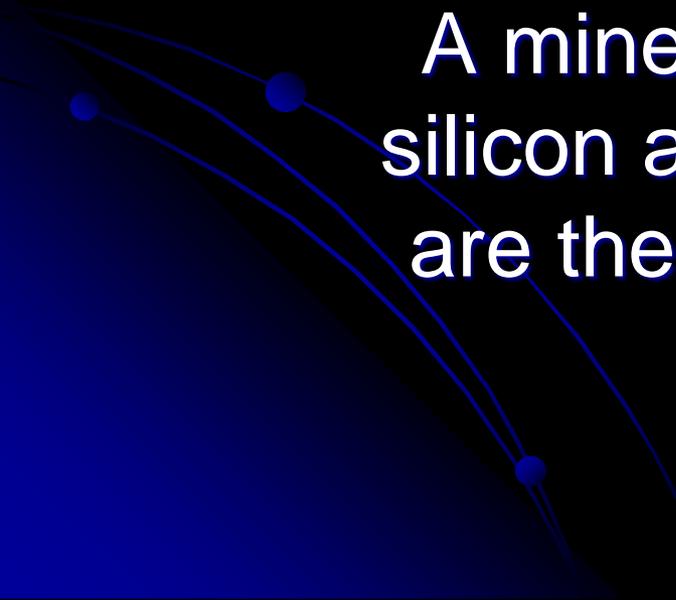
# The most common crystalline structure

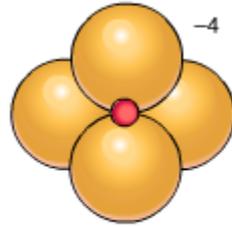
- Silica-oxygen tetrahedron – basic building block for silicate minerals



# Silicate mineral:

A mineral that has the atoms silicon and oxygen in it. These are the rock-forming minerals



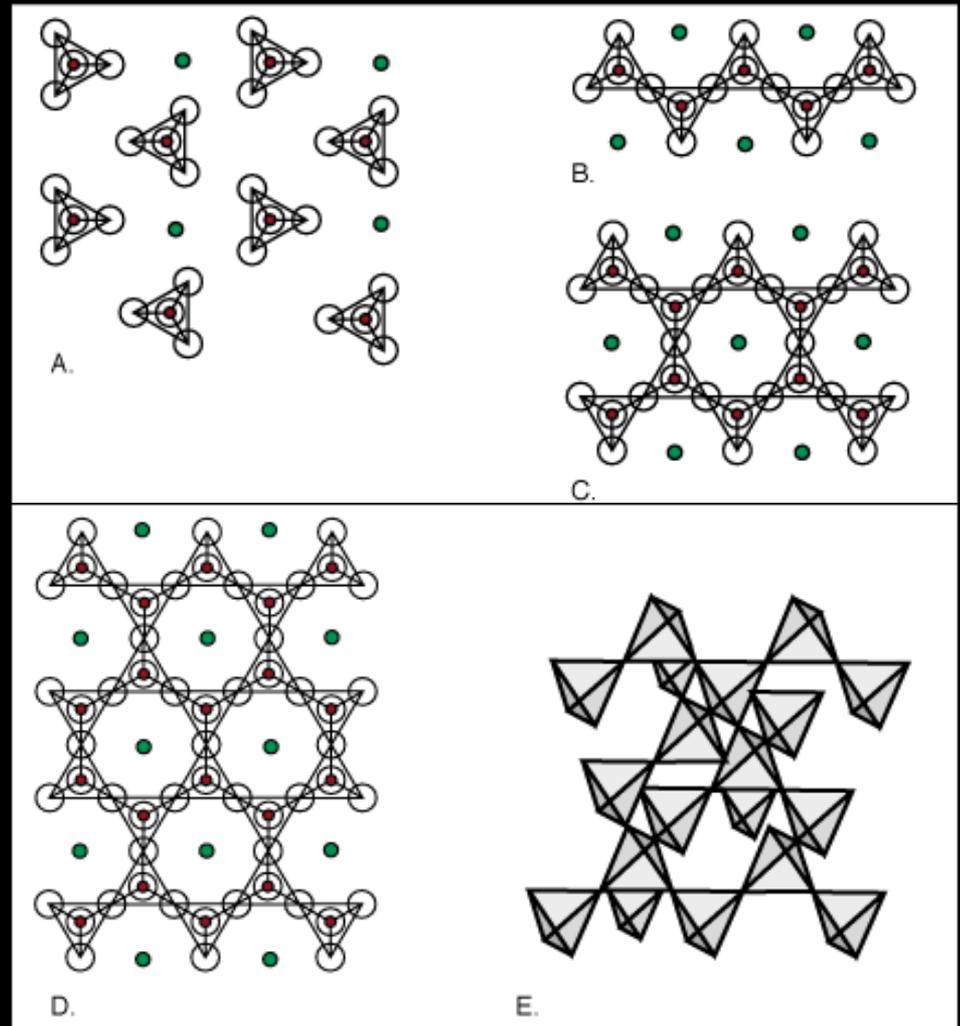


Arrangement of atoms in  
silicon-oxygen tetrahedron

# The way silica tetrahedron combine determines the structure and physical properties of a mineral.

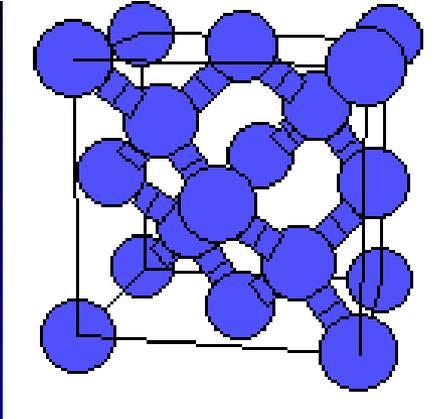
Five major types of silicate minerals based on their structure

- A) Isolated tetrahedron
- B) Single chain
- C) Double chains
- D) Sheet silicates
- E) 3-D framework silicates

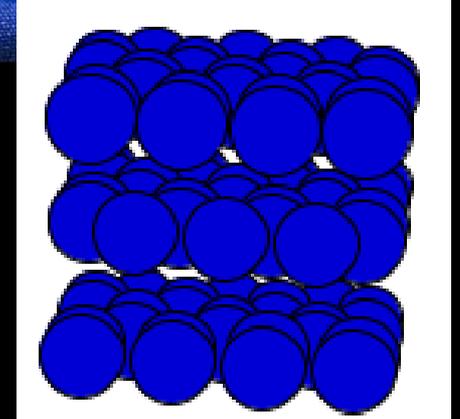


Minerals can have the same chemical composition (Carbon) but different physical properties because of their crystal structure

## Diamond



## Graphite



# Periodic Table of the Elements

1A													IIIA	IVA	VA	VIA	VIIA	0	
1	<b>H</b>																		2
2	<b>Li</b>	<b>Be</b>											<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Ne</b>	
3	<b>Na</b>	<b>Mg</b>	IIIB	IVB	VB	VIB	VII B	— VII —				IB	IB	<b>Al</b>	<b>Si</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>Cl</b>	<b>Ar</b>
4	<b>K</b>	<b>Ca</b>	<b>Sc</b>	<b>Ti</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Cr</b>	<b>Mn</b>	<b>Fe</b>	<b>Co</b>	<b>Ni</b>	<b>Cu</b>	<b>Zn</b>	<b>Ga</b>	<b>Ge</b>	<b>As</b>	<b>Se</b>	<b>Br</b>	<b>Kr</b>	
5	<b>Rb</b>	<b>Sr</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Zr</b>	<b>Nb</b>	<b>Mo</b>	<b>Tc</b>	<b>Ru</b>	<b>Rh</b>	<b>Pd</b>	<b>Ag</b>	<b>Cd</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Sn</b>	<b>Sb</b>	<b>Te</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>Xe</b>	
6	<b>Cs</b>	<b>Ba</b>	* <b>La</b>	<b>Hf</b>	<b>Ta</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>Re</b>	<b>Os</b>	<b>Ir</b>	<b>Pt</b>	<b>Au</b>	<b>Hg</b>	<b>Tl</b>	<b>Pb</b>	<b>Bi</b>	<b>Po</b>	<b>At</b>	<b>Rn</b>	
7	<b>Fr</b>	<b>Ra</b>	+ <b>Ac</b>	<b>Rf</b>	<b>Ha</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>110</b>									

\* Lanthanide Series

58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
<b>Ce</b>	<b>Pr</b>	<b>Nd</b>	<b>Pm</b>	<b>Sm</b>	<b>Eu</b>	<b>Gd</b>	<b>Tb</b>	<b>Dy</b>	<b>Ho</b>	<b>Er</b>	<b>Tm</b>	<b>Yb</b>	<b>Lu</b>

+ Actinide Series

90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103
<b>Th</b>	<b>Pa</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>Np</b>	<b>Pu</b>	<b>Am</b>	<b>Cm</b>	<b>Bk</b>	<b>Cf</b>	<b>Es</b>	<b>Fm</b>	<b>Md</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Lr</b>

There are only about 90 naturally occurring elements in nature

# Reference Tables for Physical Setting/EARTH SCIENCE

## Radioactive Decay Data

RADIOACTIVE ISOTOPE	DISINTEGRATION	HALF-LIFE (years)
Carbon-14	$^{14}\text{C} \rightarrow ^{14}\text{N}$	$5.7 \times 10^3$
Potassium-40	$^{40}\text{K} \rightarrow ^{40}\text{Ar}$ $^{40}\text{K} \rightarrow ^{40}\text{Ca}$	$1.3 \times 10^9$
Uranium-238	$^{238}\text{U} \rightarrow ^{206}\text{Pb}$	$4.5 \times 10^9$
Rubidium-87	$^{87}\text{Rb} \rightarrow ^{87}\text{Sr}$	$4.9 \times 10^{10}$

## Specific Heats of Common Materials

MATERIAL	SPECIFIC HEAT (Joules/gram • °C)
Liquid water	4.18
Solid water (ice)	2.11
Water vapor	2.00
Dry air	1.01
Basalt	0.84
Granite	0.79
Iron	0.45
Copper	0.38
Lead	0.13

## Equations

$$\text{Eccentricity} = \frac{\text{distance between foci}}{\text{length of major axis}}$$

$$\text{Gradient} = \frac{\text{change in field value}}{\text{distance}}$$

$$\text{Rate of change} = \frac{\text{change in value}}{\text{time}}$$

$$\text{Density} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}}$$

## Properties of Water

Heat energy gained during melting	334 J/g
Heat energy released during freezing	334 J/g
Heat energy gained during vaporization	2260 J/g
Heat energy released during condensation	2260 J/g
Density at 3.98°C	1.0 g/mL

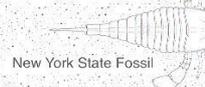
## Average Chemical Composition of Earth's Crust, Hydrosphere, and Troposphere

ELEMENT (symbol)	CRUST		HYDROSPHERE	TROPOSPHERE
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### 2010 EDITION

This edition of the Earth Science Reference Tables should be used in the classroom beginning in the 2009–2010 school year. The first examination for which these tables will be used is the January 2010 Regents Examination in Physical Setting/Earth Science.

*Eurypterus remipes*



New York State Fossil

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**Earth's Crust: The solid outermost covering of the Earth**

How many elements make up the majority in the Earth's crust?

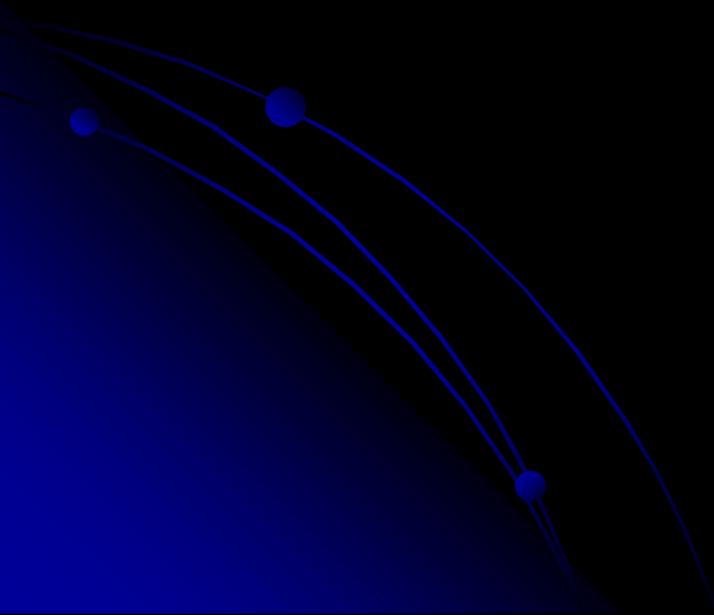
Which are the two most abundant by mass?

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There are only a few dominant elements in the Earth's crust, yet they can be put together in a variety of ways to create the different minerals found there.

There are also thousands  
of minerals



# But how many are common in the rocks of the Earth?

Properties of Common Minerals

LUSTER	HARD-NESS	CLEAVAGE FRACTURE	COMMON COLORS	DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS	USE(S)	COMPOSITION*	MINERAL NAME
Metallic luster	1-2	✓	silver to gray	black streak, greasy feel	pencil lead, lubricants	C	Graphite
	2.5	✓	metallic silver	gray-black streak, cubic cleavage, density = 7.6 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	ore of lead, batteries	PbS	Galena
	5.5-6.5	✓	black to silver	black streak, magnetic	ore of iron, steel	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	Magnetite
	6.5	✓	brassy yellow	green-black streak, (fool's gold)	ore of sulfur	FeS <sub>2</sub>	Pyrite
	5.5-6.5 or 1	✓	metallic silver or earthy red	red-brown streak	ore of iron, jewelry	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Hematite
Nonmetallic luster	1	✓	white to green	greasy feel	ceramics, paper	Mg <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	Talc
	2	✓	yellow to amber	white-yellow streak	sulfuric acid	S	Sulfur
	2	✓	white to pink or gray	easily scratched by fingernail	plaster of paris, drywall	CaSO <sub>4</sub> *2H <sub>2</sub> O	Selenite gypsum
	2-2.5	✓	colorless to yellow	flexible in thin sheets	paint, roofing	KAl <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	Muscovite mica
	2.5	✓	colorless to white	cubic cleavage, salty taste	food additive, melts ice	NaCl	Halite
	2.5-3	✓	black to dark brown	flexible in thin sheets	construction materials	K(Mg,Fe) <sub>3</sub> AlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	Biotite mica
	3	✓	colorless or variable	bubbles with acid, rhombohedral cleavage	cement, lime	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Calcite
	3.5	✓	colorless or variable	bubbles with acid when powdered	building stones	CaMg(CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	Dolomite
	4	✓	colorless or variable	cleaves in 4 directions	hydrofluoric acid	CaF <sub>2</sub>	Fluorite
	5-6	✓	black to dark green	cleaves in 2 directions at 90°	mineral collections, jewelry	(Ca,Na)(Mg,Fe,Al)(Si,Al) <sub>2</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	Pyroxene (commonly augite)
	5.5	✓	black to dark green	cleaves at 56° and 124°	mineral collections, jewelry	CaNa(Mg,Fe) <sub>4</sub> (Al,Fe,Ti) <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (O,OH) <sub>2</sub>	Amphibole (commonly hornblende)
	6	✓	white to pink	cleaves in 2 directions at 90°	ceramics, glass	KAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Potassium feldspar (commonly orthoclase)
	6	✓	white to gray	cleaves in 2 directions, striations visible	ceramics, glass	(Na,Ca)AlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Plagioclase feldspar
	6.5	✓	green to gray or brown	commonly light green and granular	furnace bricks, jewelry	(Fe,Mg) <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub>	Olivine
	7	✓	colorless or variable	glassy luster, may form hexagonal crystals	glass, jewelry, electronics	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Quartz
6.5-7.5	✓	dark red to green	often seen as red glassy grains in NYS metamorphic rocks	jewelry (NYS gem), abrasives	Fe <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	Garnet	

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Which are the silicate minerals? (contain silicon and oxygen)

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# Less than a dozen minerals are common in most rocks

- Quartz
- Feldspar (group)
- Muscovite (silver white mica)
- Biotite (black mica)
- Calcite
- Pyroxene
- Olivine
- Amphibole (group)
- Magnetite, limonite, and other iron oxides
- Pyrite