

Grouping Rocks



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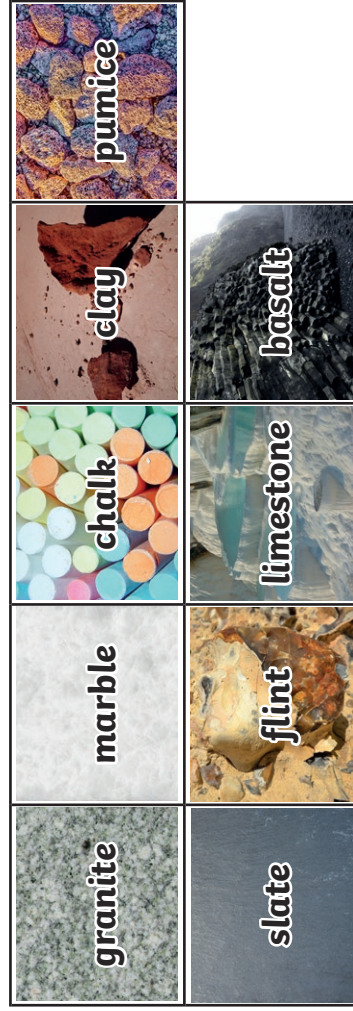
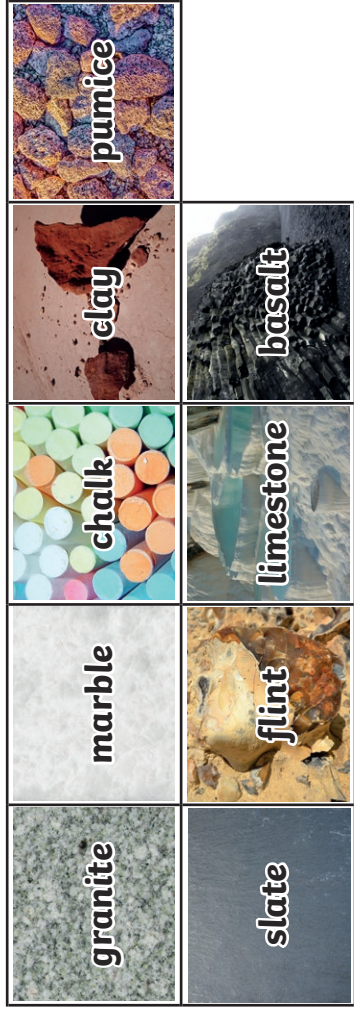
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Igneous rocks are...

Igneous rocks are formed through the cooling of magma or lava. When a volcano erupts, the lava cools and forms igneous rocks. This can also happen to the magma below the Earth's surface

Sedimentary rocks are...

Sedimentary rocks are formed through sediment (e.g. in rivers) being deposited and over time, they are pressed together to form a rock. Often, these types of rocks contain fossils.

Metamorphic rocks are...

Metamorphic rocks are rocks that started as another type of rock but were changed over time due to changes in pressure or temperature.