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Structure of the Earth

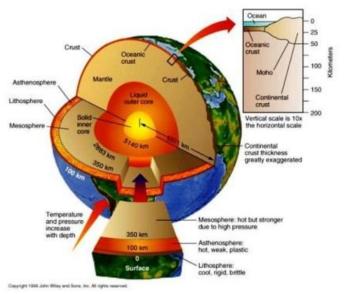




Plate Tectonic Theory - Wegener

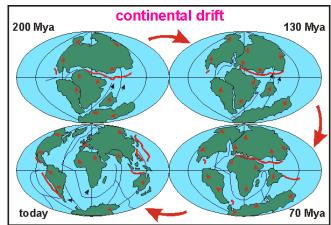




Plate Movement

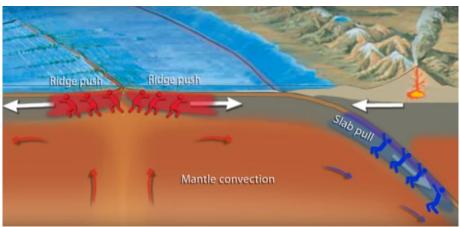
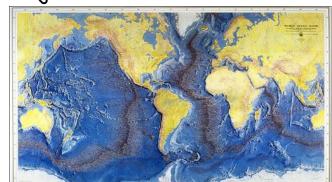




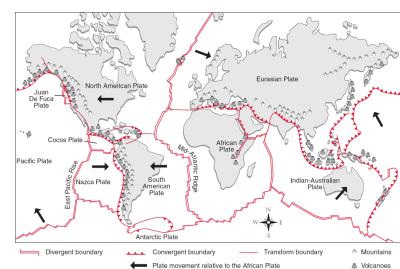
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Distribution – plate boundaries





Lithosphere Lithos + sphaira "rocky" "sphere"

From the Greek

Asthenosphere Asthen + spharia "weak" "sphere"



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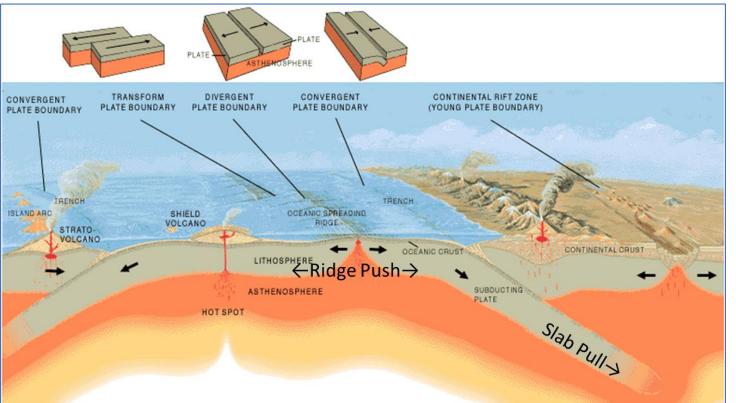


Convergent boundary **Divergent boundary Transform boundary Collision boundary** Subduction Rift zone Lithosphere **Asthenosphere** Oceanic crust Continental crust Ridge Push Slab Pull Earthquake **Epicentre Focus Seismic Waves** Richter Scale Mercalli Scale Magnitude **Hot Spot** Stratovolcano Composite volcano Shield volcano Magma Lava

Pyroclastic flow



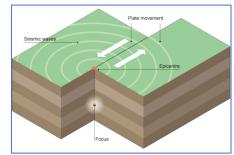
Plate movement and landforms



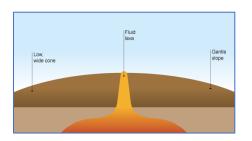
Key Questions

- 1. What are plate tectonics?
- 2. How is the Earth's crust broken?
- 3. What causes plates to move?
- 4. What are the effects of this movement?
- 5. How do we know all this?

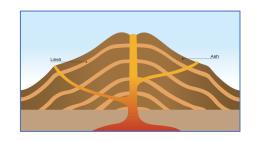














Tectonic Case Studies





