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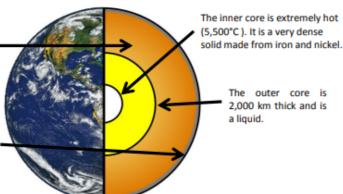
To know the structure of the earth and to know why its unstable

The earth's structure:

The Earth has four main layers: the inner core, the outer core, the mantle and the crust.

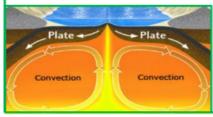
The mantle is semi-molten and about 3,000 km thick. The closer the mantle is to the core, the more liquid it is.

The crust is the rocky outer layer. It is thin compared to the other sections, approximately 5 to 70 km thick. If the Earth was scaled down to the size of an apple, the crust would be about the thickness of the apple skin



The earth's crust:

- The earth's crust is broken up into plates, called tectonic plates.
- There are two types of tectonic plate oceanic and continental.
- Oceanic plates carry the oceans. They are thinner but more dense than continental plates.
- Continental plates carry the land. They are thicker but less dense than oceanic plates.



- Heat from the core causes convection currents in the mantle. These cause the mantle to move as it heats and cools.
- These currents slowly move the crust around.
- In some places the crust is destroyed. In other places new crust is

crust

Mantle

Key words and terms:

The rocky outer layer of the earth, made up of oceanic and continental crust.

Mantle:

Semi-molten rock, moving beneath the earth's crust. It is the movement (convection currents) in the mantle which cause tectonic plates to move

Outer core:

A 2000km thick liquid made up largely of iron and nickel.

Inner Core:

A dense solid of extreme temperature (5,500°C) made up of iron and nickel.

Tectonic plates:

Huge plates (oceanic and continental) that make up the earth's crust, and which move because of convection currents.

Convection currents:

Currents in the mantle which cause the tectonic plates to move, caused by extreme heat from the earth's core.

When something is closely packed together.

Molten:

Something which is melted and has become a liquid.

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Volcanoes:

- Volcanoes are a vent in the earth's crust from which lava, ash and gas is released.
- Most volcanoes form at destructive and constructive plate boundaries.
- Volcanoes do not form at conservative boudaries.
- If a volcano forms at a plate boundary, they are either composite or shield volcanoes.
- Of these two types, volcanoes can be active, dormant or extinct.

Composite and shield volcanoes:

There are a number of key differences between composite and shield volcanoes.

	Composite	Shield	
Diagram	NA STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PA	Pluid lave Gende disper	
Shape	Steep sides.	Gentle sides.	
Plate boundary	Form at destructive plate boundaries.	Form at constructive plate boundaries.	
Lava	Thick lava.	Thin, runny lava.	
Eruptions	Eruptions happen less often but are usually violent. The eruption consists of ash, pyroclastic flow and lava.	Eruptions happen often but they are usually quite gentle. The eruption is mainly lava, with little pyroclastic flow.	
Example	Mount Vesuvius in Naples, Italy. Mount St. Helens, USA	Mauna Loa in Hawaii. La Cumbre, The Galapagos Islands	
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Key words and terms: Magma chamber:

A large underground pool of magma.

Lava:

Magma, once it reaches the surface.

Crater:

A bowl-shaped basin in the top of the volcano.

The central tube which magma travels through

Cone:

A hill produced around a volcano by the eruption of lava and ash.

Pyroclastic flow:

A mass of hot ash, gases and lava fragments which is ejected from a volcano at great speeds.

Active:

Volcanoes which erupt frequently.

Dormant:

Volcanoes which have not recently erupted by which can still erupt.

Extinct:

A volcano which is unlikely to ever erupt

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Plate boundaries:

created.

- The Earth's crust is broken into different plates, which sit on the Earth's mantle.
- These plates move because of convection currents. The plates move in different directions and meet
- at plate boundaries. As the plates move, parts of the crust are destroyed and in other areas new crust is



Different types of plate boundary:

There are three different types of plate boundary: destructive, constructive and conservative. Which type they are depends on how the plates move at this boundary.

Different plates boundaries have different landforms, such as volcanoes and fold mountains.

Boundary	Movement	Diagram	Example	Landforms
Destructive	The plates either collide or the oceanic plate subducts under the continential plate.	$\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$	The Nazca plate being forced under the South American plate.	Volcanoes Fold mountains Earthquakes
Constructive	The plates move apart.	\Leftrightarrow	The African plate and the South American plate.	Volcanoes
Conservative	The plates move alongside each other.	₽	The Pacific plate and the North American plate.	Earthquakes

Key words and terms: Plate boundaries:

Where two or more tectonic plates meet.

Conservative:

A plate boundary where two plates slide past one another.

Constructive:

A plate boundary where two plates are moving apart.

Destructive:

A plate boundary where two plates are colliding.

Molten rock from the mantle before it reaches the surface of the earth.

Molten rock released from the earth's core by a volcano

Fold Mountains:

Mountains formed at collision zones, where two continental plates move towards each

Volcano:

A vent in the earth's crust from which lava, ash and gas is released.

Farthquake:

A sudden shaking of the ground, caused by movement in the earth's crust.

To explain the effects of a volcanic eruption. To be able to describe a case study of a volcanic eruption.

- It is important to note that volcanic eruptions can have both positive and negative effects.
- These effects can also be grouped into economic, social and environmental effects.
- The extent of the negative effects on a country often depends on the ability of the country to predict, prepare for and protect people from the eruption (PPP).

Positive:	Negative:	
The dramatic scenery created by volcanic eruptions attracts	Lives can be lost.	
tourists. This brings income to an area.		
The lava and ash deposited during an eruption breaks down to	If the ash and mud from a volcanic eruption mix with rain	
provide valuable nutrients for the soil. This creates very fertile	water or melting snow, fast moving mudflows are created.	
soil which is good for agriculture	These flows are called lahars.	
The high level of heat and activity close to a volcano can	Lava flows and lahars can destroy settlements and areas of	
provide opportunities for generating geothermal energy.	woodland or agriculture.	

Mount St. Helens, USA, 1980: (MDC)

In 1980, Mount St. Helens, a composite volcano in a rural area in the Northeast of the USA, erupted.

Effects:

- More then 200 homes were destroyed.
- 57 died as a result of the eruption.
- 185 miles of roads and 15 miles of railways were
- Damage to to property was estimated at \$1.1 billion.

Responses and PPP:

- Seismographs began closely monitoring the volcano roughly 3 months before the eruption.
- Hundreds of tourists and scientists flocked to the area. However, the government imposed an exclusion zone around the volcano to prevent loss of life.
- The US government issued \$950 million in emergency funds to help recovery efforts.

Nyiragongo, Democratic Republic of Congo, 2002: (LDC)

In 2002, Nyiragongo, a composite volcano near the of Goma in the DRC, erupted, causing lava to flow into its city centre.

- Roughly 130,000 people were made homeless.
- 300,000 people were evacuated from the area.
- Approximately 100 people died as a result of the eruption. The lava destroyed roughly 80% of the city's infrastructure
- (roads, electricity services, sewage pipes). Cholera and other diseases spread as people did not have access to clean water.

Responses and PPP:

- Due to unrest in the country, the volcano was not
- properly monitored and the eruption was unexpected. There was no clear plan in place in case of an eruption. A huge amount of foreign aid was sent to the DRC to help
- people cope. It took years for Goma's economy to recover, even with the support of aid agencies.

Key words and terms:

Anything to do with money or which affects the ability of people or a country to make money.

Social:

Anything which affects people and families.

Envrionmental:

Anything which affects animals. plants or ecosystems in the area.

Prediction:

Attempting to know when a volcanic eruption will happen. This can be done by measuring earthquakes, gas levels around the volcano and the temperatures around the volcano.

Preparation:

Creating and communicating a plan to deal with a possible eruption. This could include creating an exclusion zone, or making sure people have access to supplies.

Protection:

Trying to reduce the damage people suffer during a volcanic eruption. This could include building houses in safe areas.

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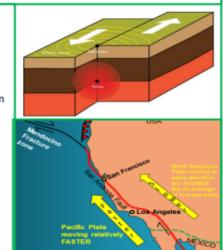
I understand the three kinds of tectonic movement and how they link to earthquake activity, using key terminology.

Plate boundaries and earthquakes:

- The Earth's crust is broken into different plates, which sit on the Earth's mantle.
- The plates move in different directions and meet at plate boundaries. These three boundaries are called destructive, constructive or conservative plate boundaries (see knowledge organsier 8.1.2 for further
- Earthquakes can happen at any plate boundary.
- Plates do not always move smoothly alongside, under or beside each other. They sometimes get stuck. When this happens pressure builds up and, when this pressure is released, an earthquake occurs.
- Every earthquakes has an epicentre and a focus.
- The focus is the point in the earth's crust where the pressure between the two plates is released. It is underground.
- The epicentre is the point on the surface of the crust, above the focus.

Earthquakes on conservative plate boundaries:

- Earthquakes can occur at all plate boundaries. However. conservative plate boundaries clearly show how earthquakes
- The San Andreas Fault is part of the plate boundary between the Pacific plate and the North American plate.
- The Pacific plate moves slightly faster than the North American plate. This means that, even though the plates are moving in the same direction, they can get stuck, causing a build up of pressure.
- This build up and release of pressure caused two major earthquakes during the last century, in 1906 and in 1989.
- However, this area experiences constant small earthquakes, with Los Angeles experiencing 10 earthquakes per day on
- Because of this movement, Los Angeles should be in line with San Francisco in roughly 20 million years.



In 2010, Haiti experienced an earthquake measuring 7.0 on

the richter scale originating from the boundary between the

1 million people were made homeless and the main port,

Many homes and businesses were looted because of a

Haiti has no history of earthquakes. As a result, their

Other countries, such as the USA, sent aid to help.

Due to a weak and poor government people are still

living in camps almost 10 years after the earthquake.

buildings were not prepared and people were not drilled.

However, the damaged airport found it difficult to cope.

airport and roads were severely damaged.

2 million people had no food or clean water.

Key words and terms: Earthquake:

The shaking or vibration of the earth's crust due to pressure at a plate boundary.

Mantle:

The semi-molten layer below the earth's crust.

Crust:

The thin, rocky outer layer of the earth. It is broken into many different

Plate boundary:

The point where two tectonic plates

Destructive plate boundary:

Where two plates meet and they are moving towards each other.

Constructive plate boundary:

Where two plates meet and they are moving away from each other.

Conservative plate boundary:

Where two plates meet and they are moving alongside each other (either in the same or opposite directions).

I can explain how earthquakes are predicted and measured.

Predicting earthquakes:

- Scientists can currently forcast the likelihood of an earthquake in the long term (over years and decades). However, it is almost impossible to predict earthquakes in the short term.
- However, there are ways that scientists can monitor tectonic activity to help them forcast earthquakes:
- Scientists can look at the history of earthquakes in the area and try to identify patterns about them.
- Some scientists argue that a higher level of radon gas being released into the atmosphere is a sign of an impending
- An increase in minor earthquakes, measured using a seismometer, often suggests an impending, larger earthquake

Measuring earthquakes:

- Each year scientists record over 20,000 earthquakes. Most of these earthquakes are small and are not noticed by ordinary people.
- Earthquakes are measured according to two different scales: the Richter scale and the Mercalli scale.
- Some argue that the Mercalli scale is not as reliable as the Richter scale because it is subjective and can vary according to where vou are.

The Mercalli Scale (without the final 2 levels):

Intensity	Shaking	Description/Damage	1
- 1	Not felt	Not felt except by a very few.	
II	Weak	Felt only by a few persons at rest,especially on upper floors of buildings.	
Ш	Weak	Felt quite noticeably by persons indoors, especially on upper floors of buildings. Many people do not recognize as an earthquake. Vibrations similar to the passing of a truck.	
IV	Light	Felt indoors by many, outdoors by few during the day. At night, some awakened. Dishes, windows and doors disturbed; walls make cracking sound. Sensation like heavy truck striking building. Standing motor cars rocked.	
V	Moderate	Felt by nearly everyone; many awakened. Some windows broken. Unstable objects overturned.	
VI	Strong	Felt by all, many frightened. Some heavy furniture moved. Damage slight.	
VII	Very strong	Slight damage in buildings of good design and construction; moderate in well-built ordinary structures; considerable damage in poorly built structures.	
VIII	Severe	Damage slight in specially designed structures; considerable damage in ordinary substantial buildings with partia collapse. Damage great in poorly built structures. Fall of chimneys, factory stacks, columns, monuments.	
IX	Violent Damage considerable in specially designed structures. Damage great in substantial buildings, with partial collapse Buildings shifted off foundations.		•
х	Extreme	Some well-built wooden structures destroyed; most masonry and frame structures destroyed with foundations. Rails bent.	

Key words and terms: Seismometer:

A machine which detects and records vibrations in the earth's crust.

Richter Scale:

A scale which is used to measure the strength of earthquakes. It uses the strength of vibrations to class earthquakes between 1 and 10.

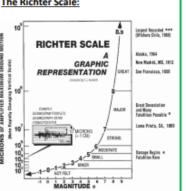
Mercalli Scale:

A scale which is used to measure the damage of earthquakes. It uses the damage caused to class earthquakes between 1 and 12.

ubjective:

Something which changes according to people's perceptions or opinions.

The Richter Scale:



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I can demonstrate how the impact of an earthquake in an MDC or LDC is influenced by the extent of prediction, preparation and response.

The effects of an earthquake:

The damage of an earthquakedepends on the ability of the country to predict, prepare for and protect people from the effects of the earthquake (PPP).

	Social Impacts	Economic Impacts	Environmental impacts
Short Term:	People may be killed or injured. Homes may be destroyed. Infrstructure may be disrupted. Water supplies may be contaminated.	Shops and business may be destroyed. Looting may take place.	The landscape may be destroyed because of fires or landslides Tsunamis may cause flooding in coastal areas.
Long Term:	Disease may spread. People may have to be re-housed, sometimes in refugee camps.	Rebuilding can be expensive. Income could be lost.	Important natural and human landmarks may be lost.

Haiti, 2010: (LDC)

Effects:

Caribbean and North American plates.

lack of government presence.

220,000 people died.

Responses and PPP:

Chile, 2010: (MDC)

In 2010, Chile experienced an earthquake measuring 8.8 on the richter scale originating from the boundary between the South American and Nazca plates

Effects:

- 500 people died.
- 500,000 buildings were destroyed, including minor damage to a major airport.
- Communication networks and power went down after the earthquake.

Responses and PPP:

- Chile has a history of earthquakes, meaning that most buildings were 'earthquake proof' and people were trained in how to survive earthquakes.
- Within 10 days power was restored to affected areas.
- Roads were repaired very quickly.
- Chile put in place a house rebuilding scheme which was paid for by the Chilean government.

Infrastructure: The basic physical facilities in an

Key words and terms:

area, such as electricity, running water, roads and buildings such as hospitals.

Money or resources which is given to a country by another country or an organisation.

Prediction:

Attempting to know when an earthquake will happen. This can be done by measuring vibrations in the crust and by studying previous major earthquakes.

Preparation:

Creating and communicating a plan to deal with a possible earthquake. This could include creating an exclusion zone, or making sure people have access to supplies.

Protection:

Trying to reduce the damage people suffer during an earthquake. This could include building houses in safe areas.

I understand the three kinds of tectonic movement and how they link to earthquake activity, using key terminology and I can demonstrate how the impact of an earthquake in an MDC or LDC is influenced by the extent of prediction, preparation and

Tsunamis:

- Tsunamis are a series of ocean waves which are caused when earthquakes or other disturbances displace a large amount of water. (Other disturbances can include volcanic eruptions, underwater explosions and metiorite
- Tsunamis are not caused by tides, and so it is technically incorrect to refer to them as "tidal waves".
- Tsunamis are usually barely noticeable in water, but get larger and more powerful as they approach land.
- As a result, tsunamis can have a huge effect on countries which are hit by them.

The Boxing Day Tsunami, 2004:

- In 2004 an earthquake measuring magnitude 9.1 on the Richter scale happened as a result of the Indo Australian Plate subducting beneath the Eurasian plate.
- This caused a tsunami originating in the Indian Ocean.
- This tsunami affected Indonesia, Thailand, Sri Lanka, India, Somalia and Kenya.

Effects:

- 220,000 died in total and 2million people were made homeless.
- In Indonesia the island of Sumatra was closest to the epicentre and was devastated. Up to 70% of coastal population were killed or missing. The city of Banda Aceh was totally destroyed.
- In Sri Lanka homes, crops and fishing boats were destroyed. Many people worked in the fishing industry. Most of them lost their boats and so their jobs.
- In Thailand many people died as they were on holiday in the area. Many holiday resorts were destroyed, causing an economic downturn.

Responses and PPP:

- Clean water, food, tent and plastic sheeting arrived as aid. \$7 billion was donated worldwide for the affected countries.
- A tsunami warning system in the Indian Ocean was set up. Formal warnings are now sent to countries throughout the Indian Ocean. These warnings are given via text, radio, tv and email.
- Mangroves around the coast were replanted, as mangroves act as a natural barrier, absorbing wave power and helping to protect coastlines and inland area from tsunamis.

Key words and terms: Displacement:

Moveing something from its original position.

Richter scale:

A scale which is used to measure the strength of earthquakes. It uses the strength of vibrations to class earthquakes between 1 and 10.

Subduction:

The movement of one tectonic plate underneath another.

