

The Insides of Earth!!

Heat of Formation

The Earth is hot because when it formed <u>bigger and</u> <u>bigger pieces of matter</u> <u>collided (clumping/accretion)</u> <u>until it was super hot. Friction.</u>

Accretion: When pieces of matter collide to form bigger and bigger chunks.



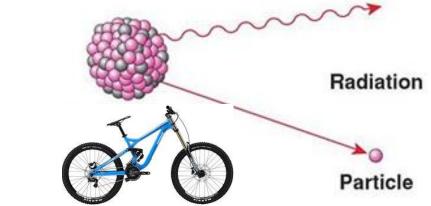






Radioactive Decay

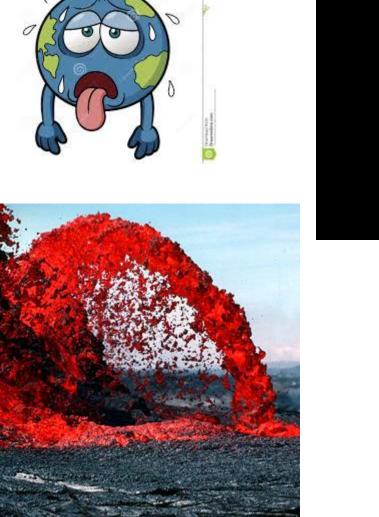
- <u>The earth would have cooled down by now if</u> <u>it weren't for radioactive decay.</u>
- <u>Unstable atoms (like Uranium) are under</u> pressure inside Earth and shoot off high energy particles. These heat up the insides of Earth.

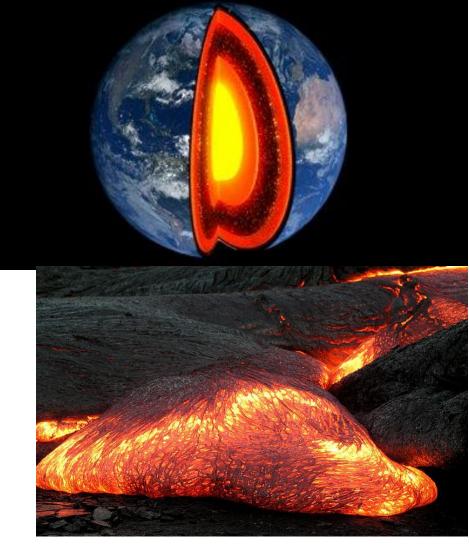


Radioactivity

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Radioactive decay keeps Earth's insides Hot!



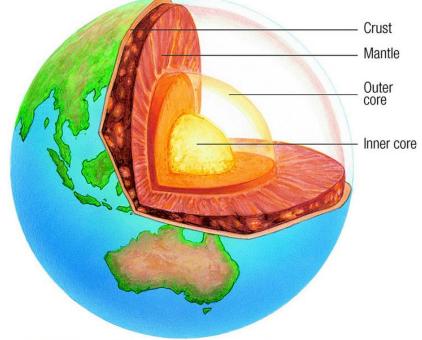


Earth's Layers

- There are two ways to organize the insides of Earth – by composition and by physical properties.
- <u>Composition: What something is made of</u> (types of materials, kinds of rock or metal, density)
- <u>Physical properties: How something behaves</u> (liquid, solid, semi-solid)

By composition

- <u>Crust</u>: 0-35 km
 - Continental Crust: igneous, metamorphic, sedimentary <u>rock</u>
 - Oceanic Crust is mostly Basalt (pretty dense)
- <u>Mantle:</u> 35-2890 km
 Very <u>dense rock</u>
- <u>Core</u>: 2890-6360 km
 - Iron and Nickel

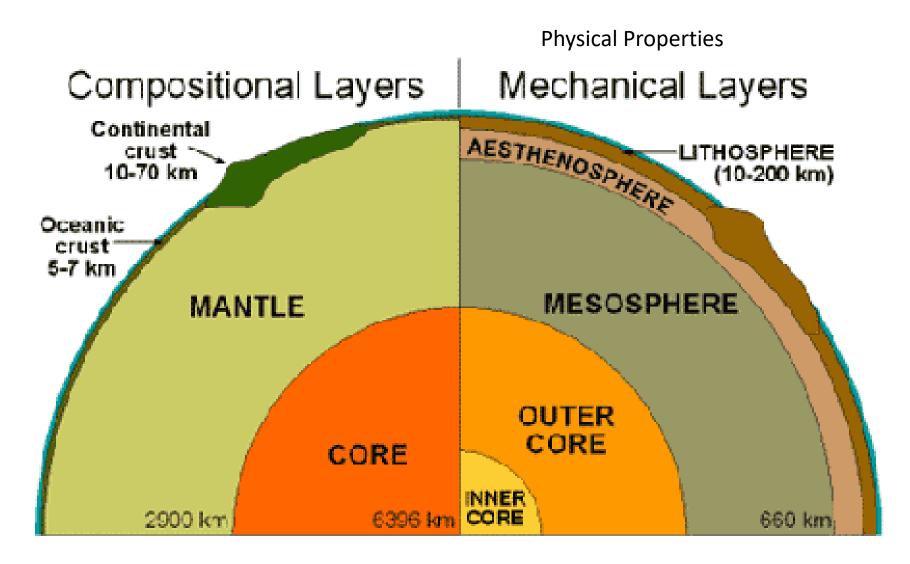


By physical Features (or mechanical features)

- <u>Lithosphere:</u> <u>Solid</u>, <u>Brittle layer</u> (includes crust and part of Mantle)
- <u>Asthenosphere</u>: <u>Semi liquid/molten layer</u> (Upper Mantle)
- <u>Mesosphere:</u> <u>More solid layer</u> (outside Outer core)
- Outer core: Liquid
- Inner Core: Solid

Why are the layers in a strange order? It's a balance of pressure vs. heat

Composition: What material it's made of (Type of rock or metal, etc...) Physical Property: State of matter (liquid, solid, semi solid, etc...)



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