

# Earth's Interior L **Plate Tectonic** LAYERS OF **Oceanic Crust** Continental Crust EARTH Lithosphere Asthenosphere Upper Mantle Lower Mantle Outer Core Inner Core





Four method's to know Earth's interior:

- 1. Temperature indirect source
- 2. Volcanoes and rock direct source
- 3. Meteorites indirect source
- 4. Earthquakes indirect source











Crust: made of Silica and Aluminium layer (SiAI)

• Thickness: 5-70 km

#### Two divisions:

- 1. Continental Crust:
- land part of crust
- 30 km (thick/lighter)
- made of Granitic rock
  - 2. Oceanic Crust:
- water part of crust
- 5 km (thin/denser)
- made of Basaltic rock

#### Composition of Earth's crust:

- Si-->28%
- Al->8% (most abundant metal in crust)
- •Fe->5% (2nd most abundant)



Mantle: made of Silica and Magnesium (SiMa)

- Thickness: 2900 km
- Top layer: Solid form Two divisions:
  - 1. Upper Mantle
  - 2. Lower Mantle
- Asthenosphere: semi-molten form (plastic form)

Core: made of Nickel and Iron (NiFe)

### Two divisions:

- 1. Inner Core: Solid form 2200 km
- 2. Outer Core: liquid form (shows magnetic properties) 1300 km

	Crust	Mantle	Core
By Volume	1%	84%	15%
By Mass	1%	68%	31%

- Lithosphere: Crust + Upper solid part of Mantle - thickness: 10-200 km
- Asthenosphere is not part of Lithosphere





## Earth's Discontinuity



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S. No	Discontinuity	Layers	Depth
1.	Conrad	Outer and Inner Crust	45 km
2.	Moho	Crust and Mantle Inner Crust and Outer Mantle Inner Crust and Asthenosphere	100 km
3.	Repiti	Outer Mantle and Inner Mantle	700 km
4.	Gutenberg- Weichart	Mantle and Core Inner Mantle and Outer Core	2900 km
5.	Lehmann	Outer Core and Inner Core	5200 km



#### Earthquake

• An Earthquake is intense shaking of Earth's surface, which causes shifting of Earth's plate







#### Scales to measure Earthquake







#### Tectonic plates

- Lithosphere makes plates comprising Crust and upper solid part of Mantle
- 7 Major + few minor plates



- Major plates marked in red
- Minor plates marked in blue

# Different types of plate boundaries

Type of Margin	Divergent	Convergent	Transform
Motion	Spreading	Subduction	Lateral sliding
Effect	Constructive (oceanic lithosphere created)	Destructive (oceanic lithosphere destroyed)	Conservative (lithosphere neither created or destroyed)
Topography	Ridge/Rift	Trench	No major effect
Volcanic activity?	Yes	Yes	No
Lithosphere Asthenosphere (a)	Ridge	volcances (volcanic arc) Trench	Earthquakes within crust





Force behind plate movement:

• Convection occurs in the asthenosphere

The heat from the earth's interior causes currents of hot rising magma and cooler sinking magma to flow, moving the plates of the crust along with them



