Earth Science Lab Practical Review





Station 1: Rocks and Minerals



<u>STREAK</u>



- The color of a mineral when finely powdered
- Scratch the mineral on a porcelain plate





LUSTER

• Metallic – reflects light like metal (silver/gold)



 Nonmetallic – any mineral which DOES NOT exhibit metallic characteristics



LUSTER- Now you try...



NON-METALLIC

LUSTER- Now you try...



NON-METALLIC

LUSTER- Now you try...



METALLIC

<u>Hardness</u>

• Resistance of a mineral to being scratched



<u>Hardness</u>



The Question:

"Does the mineral scratch the glass?"

If the mineral SCRATCHES the glass
The mineral is as hard or harder than the glass

If the mineral DOES NOT SCRATCH the glass
The mineral is not as hard as glass

CLEAVAGE/FRACTURE

 Cleavage- when a mineral breaks along a flat, smooth surface



 Fracture- when a mineral breaks along an irregular surface



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FRACTURE







SEDIMENTARY ROCKS Will show:

-fossils

-layers-sediments (clastic)







METAMORPHIC ROCKS

Will show:

-Foliation



Gneiss





Schist





IGNEOUS ROCKS

Will show:

-Glassy texture -Vesicular (gas pockets) -Intergrown crystals





How do you find the epicenter of an earthquake?

1. Determine the arrival of the p-wave and the s-wave.



2. Find the DIFFERENCE between the arrival of the p-wave and the arrival of the s-wave.



WHAT DO YOU DO WITH THIS NUMBER?!?!?

 Difference between the arrival times was 4 minutes

MEASURE AND
MATCH!!

The distance to the epicenter is...
2600 km



What does the circle surrounding Boise, Idaho represent?



How many cities do you need in order to find the epicenter of an earthquake 3!!!

-Why?

-Because you need the circles to intersect and that can only happen with 3 cities.

Can you tell where the epicenter of the earthquake is from this information

Where is the epicenter of this earthquake?

OH NO!!! What do you do if this happens?

Don't worry if part of your circle goes off the map

What is the formula for eccentricity?

Distance between foci

Length of the major axis

Eccentricity

• This is how you draw an ellipse:

HOW TO CREATE AN FI I TPSF

Eccentricity

Eccentricity

- 1. If this were the Earth's orbit, where would the Sun be located?
- 2. Where would the Earth's orbital velocity be the fastest?

