Rock Cycle

Weathering

Weathering refers to the breakdown of exposed rocks into smaller fragments by

physical, chemical, mechanical,

Erosion

Erosion is the process in which

rocks are worn down into

fragments that are carried away

by natural forces such as wind

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tightly packed together. The lower layers come under increasing pressure from the overlying layers and eventually become compacted or squashed.

sediments, acting as a cement and making them stick together. The minerals work like a binding agent for the grains of sediment.

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Melting

Melting is the process in which a solid rock is turned into its liquid form, known as magma, when subjected to extremely

Cooling

Cooling is the process in which molten rock, known as magma, solidifies when the temperature is lowered. This may happen

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within existing rocks when they are subjected to tremendous heat and pressure. This process may happen when igneous or sedimentary rocks are buried deep underground.