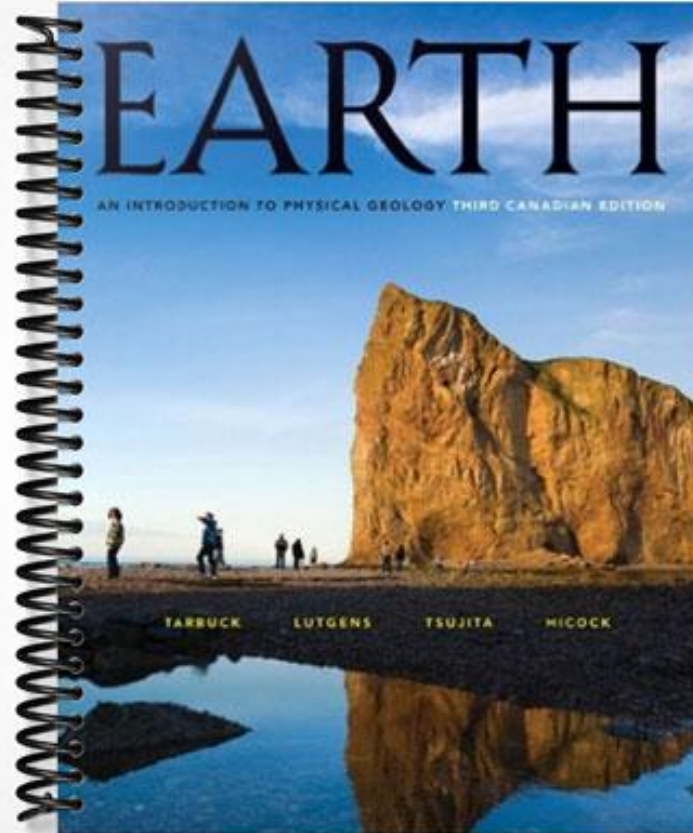


TEST BANK



MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- 1) Which manufactured products contain minerals or elements extracted from mineral resources? 1) _____
A) jacket
B) wooden chair
C) beer
D) aluminum pop cans, "pencil lead," baby powder, concrete
- 2) Which of the following best defines a mineral and a rock? 2) _____
A) A rock has an orderly, repetitive, geometric, internal arrangement of minerals; a mineral is a lithified or consolidated aggregate of rocks.
B) A rock consists of atoms bonded in a regular, geometrically predictable arrangement; a mineral is a consolidated aggregate of different rock particles.
C) In a mineral the constituent atoms are bonded in a regular, repetitive, internal structure; a rock is a lithified or consolidated aggregate of minerals.
D) A mineral consists of its constituent atoms arranged in a geometrically repetitive structure; in a rock, the atoms are randomly bonded without any geometric pattern.
- 3) Which is not a requirement? To be a mineral it must be or have _____. 3) _____
A) naturally occurring
B) definite chemical composition
C) orderly regular atomic or ionic structure
D) well formed external crystal shapes
- 4) Minerals consist of an ordered array of atoms or ions that are _____. 4) _____
A) chemically bonded in a regular crystalline structure
B) all the same size and charge
C) always packed together in cubes or octahedra
D) physically attached to each other by shared protons
- 5) Which one of the following is false for minerals? 5) _____
A) They can be a liquid, solid, or glass.
B) They have a specific, internal, crystalline structure.
C) They have a specific, predictable chemical composition.
D) They can be identified by characteristic physical properties.
- 6) Which of the following rock types are not comprised mostly of minerals. 6) _____
A) sandstone and conglomerate
B) coal, obsidian, and pumice
C) granite and basalt
D) limestone and rock salt
- 7) While there are 90 naturally occurring elements, these combine in various proportions and structures to make nearly _____ minerals. 7) _____
A) 40,000
B) 4,000
C) 400
D) 400,000
- 8) Which of the following is not a fundamental particle found in atoms? 8) _____
A) electron
B) selectron
C) protons
D) neutron
- 9) Which of the following denotes the tiny, but very massive, central part of an atom? 9) _____
A) valence shell
B) inner shell
C) core mass
D) nucleus
- 10) Which of the following denotes the massive, positively charged, nuclear particles? 10) _____
A) neutrons
B) electrons
C) isotrons
D) protons
- 11) What, basic, atomic particles occupy space in an atom outside of the nucleus? 11) _____

- A) radioactive and unstable
- C) covalent and ionic

- B) magnetic and gravitational
- D) double and triple

- 24) In ionic compounds, _____ have lost one or more electrons to acquire positive charge and a smaller radius than their neutral atom, while _____ have gained one or more electrons to acquire a negative charge and a larger radius than their neutral atom. 24) _____
A) daughter isotopes, parent isotopes B) cations, anions
C) anions, cations D) stable isotopes, unstable isotopes
- 25) In which type of chemical bonding are electrons shared between adjacent atoms? 25) _____
A) ionic B) subatomic C) isotopic D) covalent
- 26) When elements or compounds combine in the same proportions but in more than one structural arrangement, relative to each other, those mineral structures are called _____. 26) _____
A) isotopes B) bimorphs C) amorphous D) polymorphs
- 27) Minerals like diamond and graphite exist because of _____. 27) _____
A) the metamorphism of coal
B) the law of polymorphism
C) amorphous crystallization
D) different physical and chemical conditions or environments within the earth
- 28) _____ is the external expression of orderly internal arrangement of atoms in a mineral crystal. 28) _____
A) Habit B) Colour C) Streak D) Lustre
- 29) Which of the following describes the light reflecting characteristics of a mineral? 29) _____
A) lustre B) fluorescence
C) virtual absorption D) streak
- 30) The quality of light reflected from a mineral surface is called _____. 30) _____
A) lustre B) translucency C) polish D) reflectance
- 31) The true colour of a mineral as seen in its powdered form is called it's _____. 31) _____
A) iridescence B) streak C) chatoyancy D) birefringence
- 32) A mineral's hardness is determined by the number and the strength of chemical bonds, but how is it actually determined? 32) _____
A) by weighing it on a Mohs scale.
B) by whether or not it cleaves.
C) by its resistance to scratching or abrasion by other materials of known hardness.
D) by looking at its streak.
- 33) What mineral is the hardest known substance in nature? 33) _____
A) muscovite B) native gold C) silicate D) diamond
- 34) Which minerals that make up the Mohs scale are harder than a glass plate? 34) _____
A) feldspar, quartz, topaz, corundum, diamond
B) calcite, fluorite, apatite
C) gypsum and talc
D) beryl, garnet, tourmaline
- 35) Which minerals that make up the Mohs scale are softer than your fingernail? 35) _____

- A) beryl, garnet, tourmaline
- B) gypsum and talc
- C) feldspar, quartz, topaz, corundum, diamond
- D) calcite, fluorite, apatite

- 36) Which minerals that make up the Mohs scale are softer than a glass plate but harder than your fingernail? 36) _____
- A) beryl, garnet, tourmaline
 - B) calcite, fluorite, apatite
 - C) gypsum and talc
 - D) feldspar, quartz, topaz, corundum, diamond
- 37) Which one of the following minerals has the greatest hardness on the Mohs hardness scale? 37) _____
- A) topaz
 - B) feldspar
 - C) gypsum
 - D) calcite
- 38) The property of _____ is controlled by planes of few or weak bonds within the mineral structure. 38) _____
- A) absorbency
 - B) bondage
 - C) well formed crystal faces
 - D) cleavage
- 39) The strong tendency of certain minerals to break along smooth, parallel planes is known as _____. 39) _____
- A) flat busted
 - B) streak
 - C) cleavage
 - D) crystal form
- 40) Which one of the following describes a mineral's response to mechanical impact? 40) _____
- A) lustre
 - B) streak
 - C) cleavage
 - D) crystal form
- 41) Cleavage is determined by _____ and _____ well formed planes of weakness in a stressed mineral structure 41) _____
- A) the number, angles between
 - B) the iridescence, shape of
 - C) the twinning, separation of
 - D) the hardness, thickness of
- 42) The tendency for a mineral like quartz to break in a smoothly curved manner is termed _____. 42) _____
- A) spherical cleavage
 - B) elliptical breakage
 - C) anomalous cleavage
 - D) conchoidal fracture
- 43) _____ is the ratio of a weight of mineral to a volume of water of equal weight. 43) _____
- A) Characteristic volume
 - B) Wet weight
 - C) Specific gravity
 - D) Absolute mass
- 44) Minerals like native gold or galena have high specific gravities because _____. 44) _____
- A) they both lack any cleavage
 - B) both are very strong and hard
 - C) they contain heavy elements
 - D) they are too dense for any water or air to fit into their structures
- 45) A cubic centimetre of quartz, olivine, and gold weigh 2.5, 3.0, and 19.8 grams respectively. This indicates that _____. 45) _____
- A) olivine and quartz powders are harder than metallic gold
 - B) gold has a higher specific gravity than quartz and olivine
 - C) gold and olivine are silicates, quartz is elemental silicon

D) gold is six to seven times harder than olivine and quartz

- 46) Which of the following has the highest specific gravity? 46) _____
A) wood B) water C) quartz D) gold
- 47) Which of the following denotes the purity of gold used in jewelry? 47) _____
A) carnot B) carlot C) carette D) karat
- 48) Which mineral is easily soluble in water at room temperature conditions? 48) _____
A) olivine B) talc C) halite D) diamond
- 49) Which carbonate mineral reacts readily with cool, dilute hydrochloric acid to produce visible bubbles of carbon dioxide gas? 49) _____
A) dolomite B) plagioclase C) calcite D) quartz
- 50) Which of the following will react readily with acids such as hydrochloric? 50) _____
A) talc B) diamond C) quartz D) calcite
- 51) Real kryptonite is a(n) _____ while jadarite is a(n) _____. 51) _____
A) element, mineral B) metal, rock
C) meteorite, moon D) mineral, element
- 52) Jadarite is similar to the fictional mineral kryptonite but lacks _____ in its chemical composition. 52) _____
A) lithium B) sodium C) fluorine D) boron
- 53) What element is the most abundant in the Earth's crust by weight? 53) _____
A) oxygen B) sodium C) carbon D) chlorine
- 54) The eight most abundant elements in the Earth's crust by weight are: _____. 54) _____
A) C, K, N, P, S, Sc, Ti, V B) Ba, Ca, Cl, Cu, F, H, Li, U
C) Pb, Mo, Ag, Pt, Au, Ni, Cr, Zr D) O, Si, Al, Fe, Ca, Na, K, Mg
- 55) Which group of minerals are the most abundant in the Earth's crust? 55) _____
A) carbonates B) sulphides C) chlorides D) silicates
- 56) All silicate minerals contain which two elements? 56) _____
A) silicon, oxygen B) iron, silicon C) oxygen, carbon D) silicon, sodium
- 57) Chrysotile, crocidolite, and amosite are different mineralogic forms of what industrial commodity? 57) _____
A) asbestos B) metallic sulphide ores
C) Portland cement D) gemstones
- 58) Which of the following diseases has been linked directly to prolonged inhalation of asbestos dust? 58) _____
A) glaucoma B) muscular dystrophy
C) diabetes D) lung cancer
- 59) The ion at the centre of a silicon-oxygen tetrahedron is surrounded by _____. 59) _____
A) 4 oxygen ions B) 6 sodium ions C) 6 oxygen ions D) 4 sodium ions

- 84) Which mineral is composed of silicon dioxide (SiO₂)? 84) _____
 A) olivine B) calcite C) diamond D) quartz
- 85) Why doesn't quartz have any cleavages, only fractures? 85) _____
 A) All oxygens are shared between strongly bonded silicons in a 3-D framework.
 B) It is made of pure silicon which is very strong.
 C) All of the metallic cations form strong webs between the silicate chains.
 D) It has strong helical chains in three perpendicular directions.
- 86) Which of the following minerals is a silicate? 86) _____
 A) hematite B) calcite C) halite D) muscovite
- 87) Which common silicate mineral was used as window glass in the Middle Ages? 87) _____
 A) halite B) calcite C) quartz D) muscovite
- 88) Which of the following minerals is in the mineral group known as mica? 88) _____
 A) orthoclase B) olivine C) augite D) muscovite
- 89) Which of the following is not a rock-forming silicate mineral? 89) _____
 A) calcite B) orthoclase C) garnet D) quartz
- 90) Which of the following silicate minerals have 3-dimensional framework structures? 90) _____
 A) micas and gypsum B) quartz and halite
 C) hornblende and olivine D) feldspars and quartz
- 91) Which one of the following mineral groups exhibits a sheet-like silicate structure? 91) _____
 A) feldspars B) pyroxenes C) clays D) carbonates
- 92) Most _____ minerals are microscopic crystals of sheet silicates that form by the chemical weathering of feldspars, pyroxenes, amphiboles and micas. 92) _____
 A) hydroxide B) salt C) carbonate D) clay
- 93) Which one of the following is a typical product of chemical weathering of other silicates? 93) _____
 A) clays B) feldspars
 C) micas D) ferromagnesians
- 94) The principal ore of mercury is _____. 94) _____
 A) cinnabar B) galena C) anhydrite D) sylvite
- 95) The main calcium sulphate mineral gypsum is used to _____. 95) _____
 A) make cement B) extract the metal Ca
 C) spread directly on soils as a fertilizer D) make plaster and wallboard
- 96) Which mineral is used to make drilling muds denser to prevent blowouts? 96) _____
 A) halite B) pyrite C) barite D) galena
- 97) The main use for most diamond, corundum and garnet is _____. 97) _____
 A) semiconductors for the electronics industry
 B) gemstones of the semiprecious variety
 C) fillers in industrial products like paint and pharmaceuticals
 D) industrial abrasives

- 98) The main use of bauxite is _____. 98) _____
 A) acid production for batteries B) the ore of copper
 C) the ore of aluminum D) a food additive
- 99) These *non-silicate* minerals are found predominantly in sedimentary rocks. 99) _____
 A) graphite, chromite, and ilmenite B) calcite, gypsum, and halite
 C) amphibole, clays, and quartz D) feldspar, fluorite, and malachite
- 100) Ruby and sapphire are red and blue forms of the mineral _____. 100) _____
 A) emerald B) turquoise C) corundum D) diamond
- 101) The term *precious gemstone* is reserved for stones of the following types: _____, that are prized 101) _____
 for their: rarity, beauty, durability and size. Everything else is considered semi-precious.
 A) alexandrite, cats-eye, jade, topaz, and zircon
 B) agates, alaska black diamonds, carborundum, chrysoberyls, and spinels
 C) diamonds, emeralds, rubies, sapphires, and fire opals
 D) diamonds, garnets, moonstones, onyx, and peridots
- 102) Emeralds and aquamarines are gem quality single crystals of the more ordinary mineral 102) _____
 _____.
 A) epidote B) augite C) beryl D) olivine
- 103) Amethyst, chalcedony, and citrine are gemstone varieties of this common mineral. 103) _____
 A) topaz B) quartz C) corundum D) alexandrite

TRUE/FALSE. Write 'T' if the statement is true and 'F' if the statement is false.

- 104) Rocks are aggregates of one or more minerals. 104) _____
- 105) Coal is a rock formed mostly from fine grained carbon minerals. 105) _____
- 106) All atoms of the same element have the same atomic number. 106) _____
- 107) Electrically neutral atoms have equal numbers of electrons and protons. 107) _____
- 108) Most of the elements in the periodic table are metals. 108) _____
- 109) Positive ions are atoms that have gained electrons during a chemical reaction. 109) _____
- 110) In the compound sodium chloride, the negative ions are chlorine. 110) _____
- 111) Graphite and diamond have the same chemical composition and different crystalline structures. 111) _____
- 112) Diamond and quartz are both minerals composed of a single element. 112) _____
- 113) Graphite is used as a natural abrasive. 113) _____
- 114) The external expression of internal atomic arrangement in a mineral is called its crystal habit. 114) _____
- 115) Mineral lustre is broadly classified as either metallic or opaque. 115) _____
- 116) Colour is one of the most diagnostic properties of minerals. 116) _____

- 117) Diamond is the hardest mineral; calcite is the softest known mineral. 117) ____
- 118) Rock-forming silicate minerals have higher specific gravities than water. 118) ____
- 119) Micas like muscovite and biotite have flexible cleavage flakes that will bend, and when the strain is taken off they relax back to their original position and shape. 119) ____
- 120) Pyrrhotite (iron sulphide) is the only mineral to exhibit natural magnetism. 120) ____
- 121) When treated with hydrochloric acid, powdered carbonate minerals release bubbles as a fizz of odorless carbon dioxide. 121) ____
- 122) Optically transparent calcite exhibits the special property of "double refraction." 122) ____
- 123) In a silicon-oxygen structural unit, silicon atoms occupy corners of a tetrahedron. 123) ____
- 124) Oxygen ions are larger in size than silicon ions. 124) ____
- 125) As silicate tetrahedra link together in larger units, more oxygens are shared and the size of the negative charge per silicon decreases. 125) ____
- 126) Compared to the 1.4 angstrom size of the O^{2-} anion, most common metallic cations are double to triple that size. 126) ____
- 127) Ferromagnesian silicate minerals contain some magnesium and/or iron. 127) ____
- 128) The micas, biotite and muscovite, both exhibit one direction of cleavage. 128) ____
- 129) Orthoclase and plagioclase feldspars have quite different forms of cleavage. 129) ____
- 130) Nonmetallic minerals like halite and gypsum have no industrial uses. 130) ____
- 131) Calcite and dolomite are both carbonate minerals. 131) ____
- 132) Calcite and halite react with dilute acids to evolve carbon dioxide. 132) ____
- 133) Trace impurities of chromium make corundum into ruby, while traces of titanium and iron make it into sapphire. 133) ____

SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.

- 134) Name a characteristic of a mineral. 134) _____
- 135) What major characteristic differentiates minerals from natural glasses? 135) _____
- 136) Rocks are aggregates of one or more what? 136) _____
- 137) What is the smallest particle of matter that exhibits and defines the distinctive chemical characteristics of the individual elements? 137) _____
- 138) The massive but tiny central core region of an atom is called the what? 138) _____

- 139) In atoms, which electrons are involved in chemical bonding? 139) _____
- 140) A compound is a stable chemical substance composed of two or more what? 140) _____
- 141) Where can one view a list of known elements? 141) _____
- 142) What is the basic difference between ionic and covalent bonds? 142) _____
- 143) What are two or more minerals called if they have the same chemical composition but different physical properties? 143) _____
- 144) Diamonds are hard because all carbon atoms are held together by equally strong _____ bonds arranged in a face centred cubic structure. 144) _____
- 145) Graphite has (weak, strong) bonds within its layers but (weak, strong) bonds between its layers. 145) _____
- 146) What is the chemical composition of graphite and diamond? 146) _____
- 147) The external expression of the internal arrangement of atoms in a mineral is called what? 147) _____
- 148) _____ is the appearance or quality of light reflected from the crystal face of a mineral. 148) _____
- 149) What physical property denotes the colour of a powdered mineral? 149) _____
- 150) The Mohs scale is a relative measure of which physical property of minerals? 150) _____
- 151) What is the hardest mineral known? 151) _____
- 152) The physical property denoting a mineral's tendency to crack along parallel, planar surfaces is known as what? 152) _____
- 153) Most glasses and some minerals exhibit a type of fracture characterized by nested and curved, crack surfaces. What term describes this property? 153) _____
- 154) What are the two most abundant elements, which by themselves account for approximately 75% by weight of the Earth's crust? 154) _____
- 155) The real kryptonite is not a mineral but a(n) _____. 155) _____
- 156) The real mineral jadarite has the same chemical composition as fictional kryptonite except for what? 156) _____
- 157) Which is the most common mineral class? 157) _____
- 158) The silicon-oxygen tetrahedron has a net charge of _____. 158) _____
- 159) _____ oxygen ions occupy the corners of the silicon-oxygen tetrahedron. 159) _____
- 160) _____ forms the strongest bond with oxygen anions. 160) _____
- 161) What ferromagnesian silicate mineral is named for its green colour? 161) _____

- 162) What is the most common member of the pyroxene group of ferromagnesian minerals? 162) _____
- 163) _____ is the most common variety of the mineral group amphibole. 163) _____
- 164) Parallel, straight, linear imperfections visible on the cleavage surfaces of plagioclase feldspar are called what? 164) _____
- 165) _____ is the light coloured member of the mica group of sheet silicate minerals. 165) _____
- 166) _____ is a common pink variety of the feldspar group of framework silicate minerals. 166) _____
- 167) What mineral class forms by the breakdown and weathering of rock-forming silicate minerals and are important constituents of soils? 167) _____
- 168) Name a common carbonate mineral. 168) _____

Examine the words and/or phrases for each question below and determine the relationship among the majority of words/phrases. Choose the option that does not fit the pattern.

- 169) A) gaseous structure B) naturally occurring C) solid D) orderly 169) _____
- 170) A) electron B) atom C) proton D) neutron 170) _____
- 171) A) ionic B) cation C) anion D) nucleus 171) _____
- 172) A) hardness B) streak C) lustre D) cleavage 172) _____
- 173) A) muscovite B) biotite C) clay D) olivine 173) _____
- 174) A) sodium B) fluorine C) lithium D) boron 174) _____
- 175) A) feldspars B) silicates C) carbonates D) evaporites 175) _____
- 176) A) quartz B) olivine C) feldspar D) calcite 176) _____
- 177) A) sulphides B) oxides C) garnets D) halides 177) _____
- 178) A) olivine B) quartz C) amphibole D) pyroxene 178) _____
- 179) A) galena B) calcite C) gypsum D) halite 179) _____
- 180) A) diamond B) opal C) ruby D) zircon 180) _____

ESSAY. Write your answer in the space provided or on a separate sheet of paper.

Use complete sentences, correct spelling, and the information presented in Chapter 2 to answer the question(s) below.

- 181) Considering the composition and structure of Earth discussed in Chapter 1, do you think all of the possible silicate (and even mineral) structures have been identified by scientists? Explain. Also, does this same reasoning apply to all possible chemical elements of Earth?

182) Based on the brief discussion of chemistry and chemical bonding, why do minerals rarely exhibit pure chemical compositions (100% always the same chemical composition)?

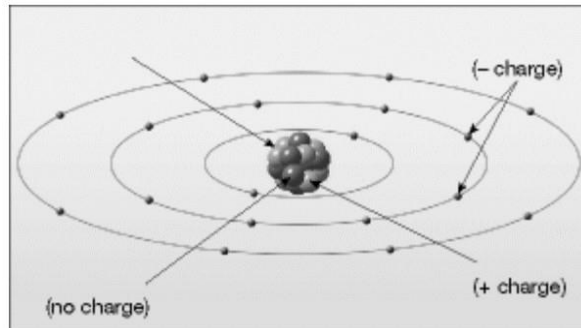
183) Overall, the physical properties of minerals provide a reliable means to identify common minerals. However, certain properties can exhibit a range of characteristics or values making them less useful for identification purposes. Choose three physical properties that might vary considerably between samples of the same mineral and explain why such variability would exist.

184) Given the similar chemical compositions of the real mineral jadarite and the fictional mineral kryptonite, what is different about real kryptonite?

SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.

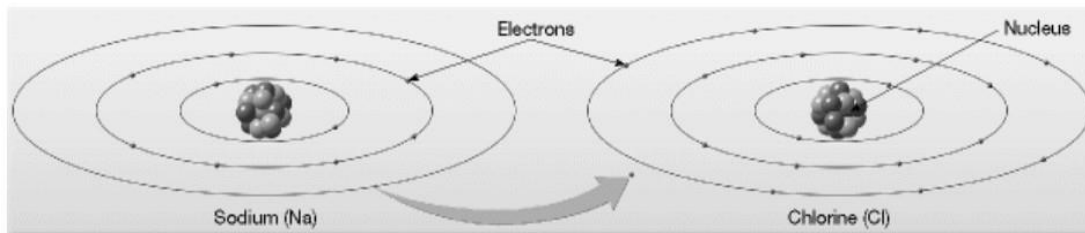
185) Label the various parts of an atom in the diagram below.

185) _____



186) What type of chemical bonding is shown in the diagram below?

186) _____



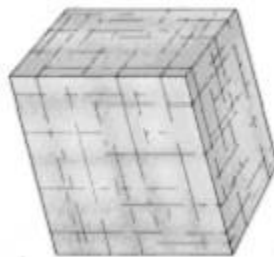
- a) covalent b) ionic c) metallic d) hybrid

187) For each illustration below, note the number of cleavage directions.

187) _____



a)



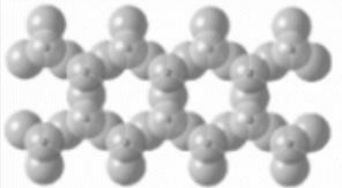


b)



c)

188) Fill in the table below on silicate minerals.

Silicate structure	Oxygen to silicon ratio	mineral	cleavage
	4:1	olivine	(a)
	(b)	(c)	two planes at right angles
	(d)	(e)	(f)

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- 1) D
- 2) C
- 3) D
- 4) A
- 5) A
- 6) B
- 7) B
- 8) B
- 9) D
- 10) D
- 11) D
- 12) B
- 13) D
- 14) A
- 15) D
- 16) C
- 17) D
- 18) B
- 19) A
- 20) D
- 21) D
- 22) C
- 23) C
- 24) B
- 25) D
- 26) D
- 27) D
- 28) A
- 29) A
- 30) A
- 31) B
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- 35) B
- 36) B
- 37) A
- 38) D
- 39) C
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- 41) A
- 42) D
- 43) C
- 44) C
- 45) B
- 46) D
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- 48) C
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- 94) A
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- 102) C
- 103) B

- 104) TRUE
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- 125) TRUE
- 126) FALSE
- 127) TRUE
- 128) TRUE
- 129) FALSE
- 130) FALSE
- 131) TRUE
- 132) FALSE
- 133) TRUE
- 134) natural, solid, usually inorganic, orderly structure, definite composition
- 135) internal arrangement of atoms
- 136) minerals
- 137) atom
- 138) nucleus
- 139) valence
- 140) elements
- 141) periodic table of the elements
- 142) electrons are given up by one atom and received by the other with ionic, but are shared in covalent
- 143) polymorphs
- 144) covalent
- 145) strong, weak
- 146) carbon
- 147) crystal habit
- 148) Lustre
- 149) streak
- 150) hardness
- 151) diamond
- 152) cleavage
- 153) conchoidal
- 154) oxygen, silicon
- 155) element

- 156) fluorine
- 157) the silicates
- 158) 4-
- 159) 4
- 160) Silicon
- 161) olivine
- 162) augite
- 163) Hornblende
- 164) striations
- 165) Muscovite
- 166) Orthoclase
- 167) clays
- 168) calcite, dolomite
- 169) gaseous
- 170) atom
- 171) nucleus
- 172) lustre
- 173) olivine
- 174) fluorine
- 175) feldspars
- 176) calcite
- 177) garnets
- 178) quartz
- 179) galena
- 180) zircon
- 181) No. Every year new minerals are discovered. As new outcrops of crustal rocks are studied there are bound to be new rocks, new minerals and new even elements discovered as a result of gravitational accretion (Nebular hypothesis) and lighter elements having migrated outwards from Earth's interior during its formation. Also, as minerals transform in the rock cycle, new combinations of elements will be created. Furthermore, as drilling attempts reach into the mantle, new discoveries are also bound to be made.
- 182) Many cations have similar sizes and can freely substitute for each other as the mineral is forming, resulting in varying compositions of the mineral.
- 183) Colour. Some minerals like quartz exhibit different colours due to tiny amounts of impurities. Crystal habit. Some minerals have multiple habits depending on whether or not they can grow in free space, or the pressure-temperature conditions under which they formed.
Fracture. Most minerals break unevenly along surfaces other than cleavage planes.
- 184) Real kryptonite is an element in the periodic table, not a mineral.
- 185) See figure 2.4B
- 186) b) ionic
- 187) a) 3 b) 3 c) 4
- 188) a) none
 - b) slightly more than 3:1
 - c) pyroxene group □ augite
 - d) slightly less than 3:1
 - e) amphibole group □ hornblende
 - f) two planes at 60 and 120 degrees