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Australian Zircon Crystals

How do zircon crystals help scientists in understanding Earth's early history?

- A By providing insights into the formation of the moon
- B By acting as time capsules from the past
- C By revealing the composition of Earth's core
- **D** By indicating the presence of ancient life forms

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What does the study of ancient zircon crystals suggest about the early conditions on Earth's surface?

- A The surface remained molten for billions of years.
- B Earth's surface was dominated by large oceans and no continents.
- C Rapid cooling and solidification led to the formation of the first continents.
 - D The surface was covered by dense vegetation and early forms of life.

ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_3_Tracing Earth's History through Zircon Crystals
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The discovery of zircon crystals indicates that Earth's crust may have begun forming as early as 4.4 billion years ago. What does this imply about the timing of the planet's initial formation?

A Earth's initial formation occurred shortly before 4.4 billion years ago.

B Earth's initial formation occurred significantly later than 4.4 billion years ago.

) C Earth's initial formation is not related to the age of the zircon crystals.

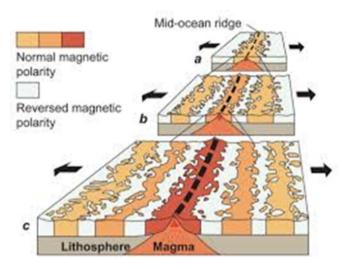
D Earth's initial formation occurred exactly 4.4 billion years ago.

ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_4_The Movement of Continental and Oceanic Crusts and Plate Tectonics
Identifier	I-SCI-F-S000026_C57990
Standards	SCI.9-12.HS-ESS1-5

The Movement of Continental and Oceanic Crusts and Plate Tectonics

Recent research on the movement of the Earth's crust has given scientists important insights into the theory of plate tectonics. By studying the ages of rocks, scientists have put together the history of how Earth's surface has changed over time. One important piece of evidence for plate tectonics is the magnetic patterns found on the ocean floor. These patterns, which show alternating magnetic polarities on both sides of mid-ocean ridges, suggest that new crust is created as tectonic plates move apart in a process called seafloor spreading.

Additionally, scientists have found ancient rocks in both South America and Africa that are similar in age and composition. This supports the theory of continental drift, which proposes that the continents were once joined together in a supercontinent called Pangaea before breaking apart due to the movement of tectonic plates. By analyzing the ages and locations of these rocks, geologists have been able to trace the past movements of the Earth's crust.



How does the discovery of magnetic striping on the ocean floor support the theory of plate tectonics?

A It indicates the presence of ancient civilizations

B It suggests the existence of underwater volcanoes

C It implies the movement of tectonic plates

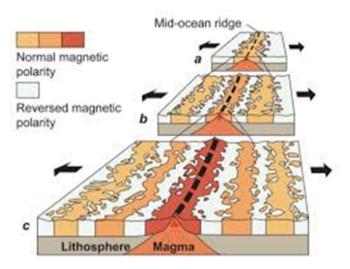
D It reveals the presence of deep-sea creatures

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What role do the ages and composition of rocks in South America and Africa play in understanding the movement of continental crusts?

A They provide evidence of past meteorite impacts.

B They suggest the presence of underground magma chambers.

C They help in determining the locations of oil reserves.

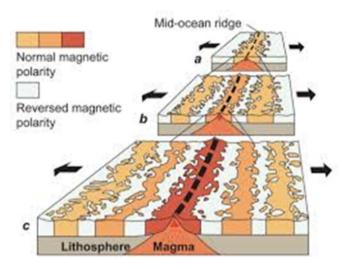
D They indicate the former connection of the continents.

ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_6_The Movement of Continental and Oceanic Crusts and Plate Tectonics
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How does plate tectonic theory provide a more comprehensive explanation for the movement of continents compared to the original theory of continental drift?

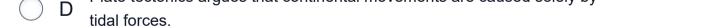
A Plate tectonics explains the gravitational forces acting on continents.

B Plate tectonics accounts for the symmetrical magnetic striping on the ocean floor, indicating seafloor spreading.

C Plate tectonics suggests that continents are stationary and only the ocean floor moves.

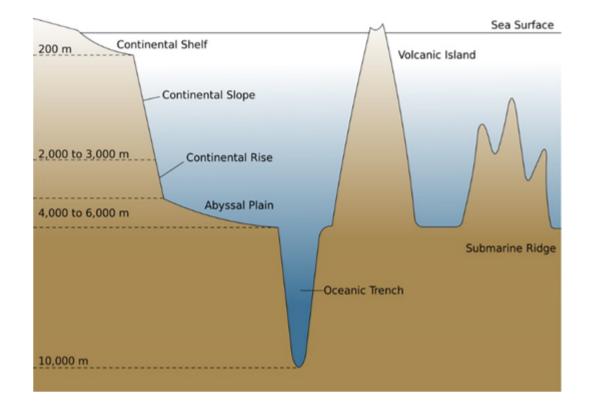


Plate tectonics argues that continental movements are caused solely by



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Standards	SCI.9-12.HS-ESS2-1

Earth's Systems – Internal and Surface Processes



Which of the following models would **BEST** explain the formation of deep ocean trenches?

- A model showing two tectonic plates moving apart at a mid-ocean ridge.
- B A model depicting the subduction of an oceanic plate beneath a continental plate, creating a trench.
- C A model showing the gradual build-up of sediment on the ocean floor without any tectonic activity.
- D A model that illustrates the creation of trenches through erosion by ocean currents alone.

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Standards	SCI.9-12.HS-ESS2-1

Earth's Systems – Internal and Surface Processes



How could a model **BEST** illustrate the formation of a volcanic island chain, such as the Hawaiian Islands?

A By showing a single volcano erupting repeatedly at the same location.

B By showing the erosion of an existing landmass leading to the formation of multiple islands.

C By illustrating the collision of two tectonic plates at a subduction zone, resulting in a single island formation.

D By depicting a tectonic plate moving over a stationary hotspot, with successive volcanic eruptions creating a chain of islands.

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Standards	SCI.9-12.HS-ESS2-1

Earth's Systems – Internal and Surface Processes

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Example of Destruction of a Coastal Landscape

Which model would **BEST** illustrate the formation and destruction of a coastal landscape over time?

A model depicting a coastline being built up by volcanic activity, then gradually eroded by waves and wind.

B A model showing the steady uplift of land due to tectonic activity, with no change to the coastline.

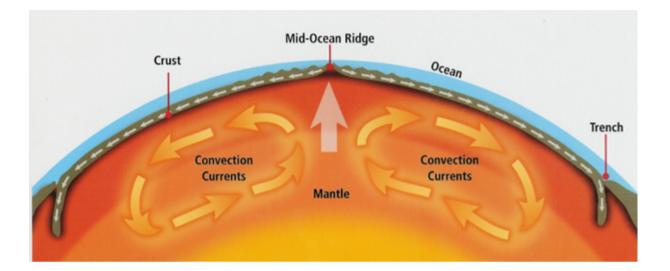
C A model illustrating only the effects of coastal erosion without considering any constructive forces.

D A model where the coastline remains unchanged despite ongoing tectonic and surface processes.

ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_10_Convection Currents in Earth's Mantle
Identifier	I-SCI-F-S000026_C16896
Standards	SCI.9-12.HS-ESS2-3

Convection Currents in Earth's Mantle

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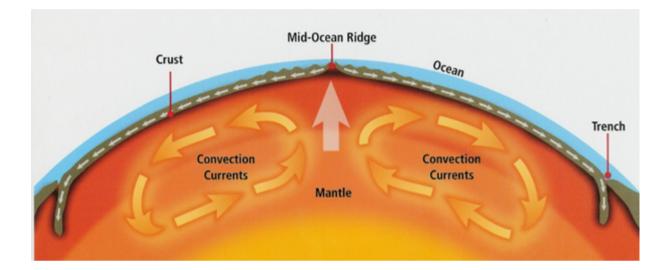
How did the researchers in the study mentioned in the article gather data to study the convection currents in Earth's mantle?

- A By analyzing fossil records found in sedimentary rocks
- B By conducting experiments in laboratory settings
- C By collecting seismic data from various regions around the world
- D By studying the behavior of ocean currents

ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_11_Convection Currents in Earth's Mantle
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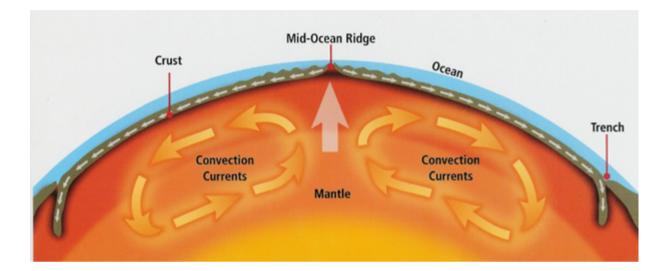
Which of the following **BEST** describes the cycle of thermal convection in the Earth's mantle as detailed in the study?

- A Cold magma rises to the surface, cools, and then sinks back down.
- B Molten rock remains stationary, causing tectonic plates to move independently.
- C Hot molten rock sinks towards the core, heats up, and then rises to the surface in a continuous cycle.
- D Hot molten rock rises towards the surface, cools, and then sinks back down in a continuous cycle.

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Which statement below **BEST** describes the impact of convection currents in Earth's mantle on the Earth's surface features according to the information presented in the study?

A They drive the movement of tectonic plates, shaping the Earth's surface features.

- B They lead to the formation of sedimentary rocks.
- C They cause earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanoes, and hurricanes.
- **D** They contribute to the formation of glaciers and ice caps.

ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_13_Transfer of Thermal Energy between Components of Different Temperatures
Identifier	I-SCI-F-S000026_C74127
Standards	SCI.9-12.HS-PS3-4

Transfer of Thermal Energy between Components of Different Temperatures

You are conducting an experiment to observe the rate of temperature change between two components, A and B, when placed in thermal contact with each other. Initially, Component A is heated to 100°C, while Component B is at 20°C. The components are then brought into contact, allowing heat to transfer from Component A to Component B.

You take temperature readings for both components every minute.

Time (min)	Temperature Component A (°C)	Temperature Component B (°C)
0	100	20
1	90	30
2	80	40
3	70	50
4	?	?

What trend do you observe in the temperatures of Components A and B as time progresses in the table?

- A Both temperatures increase linearly over time.
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Temperature of Component A decreases while that of Component B increases.

- C Temperature of Component A decreases while that of Component B decreases.
 - Temperature of Component A remains constant while that of Component B increases.

ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_14_Transfer of Thermal Energy between Components of Different Temperatures
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How does the transfer of thermal energy between Components A and B impact their temperatures according to the data provided?

It causes the temperature of Component A to decrease and the temperature of Component B to increase.

B It causes both temperatures to increase.

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C It has no effect on the temperatures of either component.

D It causes both temperatures to decrease.

ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_15_Transfer of Thermal Energy between Components of Different Temperatures
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Based on the temperatures shown in the table, which of the following statements **BEST** describes how the transfer of thermal energy leads to a more uniform energy distribution among the components in the system as per the second law of thermodynamics?

Thermal energy transfer results in Component A gaining more energy while Component B loses energy, achieving equilibrium.

Thermal energy transfer leads to Component A and Component BB reaching the same temperature, redistributing the energy unequally between them.

Thermal energy transfer results in Component A and Component B losing energy, leading to a decrease in overall system temperature.

Thermal energy transfer causes Component A to release energy to

D Component B, resulting in a decrease in temperature difference

between them.

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ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_16_The Effect of Greenhouse Gas Concentrations on Global Climate Change
Identifier	I-SCI-F-S000026_C20052
Standards	SCI.9-12.HS-ESS2-4

The Effect of Greenhouse Gas Concentrations on Global Climate Change

Recent studies have shown a direct link between the concentration of greenhouse gases in the Earth's atmosphere and global climate change. Greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide (CO_2) , methane (CH_4) , and water vapor act as natural insulators, trapping heat from the sun and preventing it from escaping back into space. However, human activities, particularly the burning of fossil fuels and deforestation, have significantly increased the levels of these gases in the atmosphere over the past century. As a result, more heat is being trapped, leading to a rise in global temperatures and triggering various climate-related changes worldwide. To illustrate this phenomenon, scientists have developed sophisticated models that depict how changes in the flow of energy into and out of Earth's systems due to greenhouse gas variations can ultimately result in shifts in climate patterns, including more frequent and severe heatwaves, droughts, and extreme weather events.

How do greenhouse gases contribute to the trapping of heat in the Earth's atmosphere?

- A By reflecting solar radiation back into space
- **B** By accelerating the movement of air masses in the atmosphere
- C By absorbing and re-emitting infrared radiation emitted by Earth's surface
- D By causing depletion of the ozone layer

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Explain how human activities, such as burning fossil fuels, impact the concentration of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere and subsequently lead to changes in global climate patterns.

Burning fossil fuels releases greenhouse gases into the atmosphere,
A increasing their concentration, and enhancing the natural greenhouse effect, which traps more heat and leads to global warming.

B Burning fossil fuels produces aerosols that reflect sunlight, cooling the Earth's surface and counteracting the greenhouse effect.

C Burning fossil fuels emits water vapor, which directly contributes to the greenhouse effect by trapping heat in the atmosphere.

D Burning fossil fuels decreases the concentration of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, resulting in a cooling effect on global climate patterns.

ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_18_The Effect of Greenhouse Gas Concentrations on Global Climate Change
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In what ways can variations in the flow of energy into and out of Earth's systems, caused by fluctuations in greenhouse gas concentrations, result in both short-term weather phenomena and long-term climate changes?

Fluctuations in greenhouse gas concentrations primarily affect shortterm weather phenomena, while long-term climate changes are driven by natural processes such as volcanic eruptions and variations in solar radiation.

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Short-term weather phenomena such as heatwaves and storms are directly influenced by fluctuations in greenhouse gas concentrations, while long-term climate changes manifest as shifts in average temperature and precipitation patterns over decades to centuries.

Variations in greenhouse gas concentrations lead to short-term weather phenomena such as seasonal temperature fluctuations and precipitation patterns, while long-term climate changes are primarily influenced by ocean currents.

Changes in greenhouse gas concentrations have minimal impact on short-term weather phenomena, which are mainly influenced by natural atmospheric processes, while long-term climate changes are driven by human activities such as urbanization and deforestation.

ltem	BA-1_Physics with ESS_19_Addressing Climate Variation: Developing Solutions Through Engineering
Identifier	I-SCI-F-S000026_C18067
Standards	SCI.9-12.HS-ETS1-1

Abstract: Climate change is a serious global problem that affects society and the environment in many ways. To tackle this issue, we need a well-rounded approach that includes both qualitative and quantitative measures, considers what society needs and wants, and considers various limitations and impacts. In this study, we look at how engineering principles can be used to create and assess possible solutions for reducing the effects of climate change. By analyzing computer simulations and prioritizing key criteria, we aim to develop realistic and effective strategies that consider the complex interactions within and between environmental systems.

Introduction: Climate change, which involves changes in temperature, rainfall patterns, and extreme weather events, is one of the biggest challenges of the 21st century. Its effects are wide-ranging and serious, threatening biodiversity, food security, public health, and economic stability. Finding solutions to this complex problem requires new ideas that balance technological possibilities with societal needs and environmental sustainability.

Methods: To address climate change, we use the Engineering Design Process, a step-bystep method for solving problems that includes analyzing criteria and limitations, coming up with possible solutions, and evaluating how effective they are. This process is guided by the Kentucky Academic Standards for Science

Results: Our analysis and simulations have led us to identify several promising strategies for addressing climate change. These include using renewable energy technologies, reforestation, sustainable farming practices, and developing infrastructure that can withstand climate changes. Each solution is assessed based on how well it can reduce climate impacts, its feasibility in the current societal and economic context, and its long-term sustainability.

Conclusion: Tackling climate change requires a broad and interdisciplinary approach that combines engineering principles with societal values and environmental concerns. By analyzing criteria and limitations, designing innovative solutions, and evaluating their effectiveness, we can create strategies that help build resilience and sustainability in the face of a changing climate.

Which of the following **BEST** exemplifies the **QUALITATIVE** criteria for addressing climate variation?

A Reduction of carbon dioxide emissions by 10% by 2030.

B Implementation of green infrastructure in urban areas to reduce heat island effect.

C Increasing renewable energy capacity to meet 50% of national energy demand.

D Developing a computer model to simulate climate change scenarios.

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How does breaking down the problem of climate variation into smaller components help in designing solutions?



It allows scientists to focus on short-term weather predictions rather than long-term climate trends.

B It ensures that all regions of the world receive equal attention in climate studies.

C It simplifies the data analysis process by reducing the amount of data that needs to be considered.

D It helps in identifying specific factors contributing to climate change, making it easier to address them individually.

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When evaluating solutions for addressing climate variation, which factor should be prioritized alongside environmental impact?





C Cost-effectiveness



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What is the primary purpose of using computer simulations in modeling the impact of proposed solutions to climate variation?



To simulate the interactions within and between environmental systems.

B To create visually appealing representations of climate data.

C To predict specific weather events with high accuracy.

D To generate revenue through the sale of simulation software.

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Relationship Between Force, Mass, and Acceleration

You are conducting a physics experiment to explore the relationship between net force, mass, and acceleration using Newton's Second Law of Motion. In this experiment, you apply different net forces to various objects with known masses and measure the resulting acceleration.

Net Force (N)	Mass (kg)	Acceleration (m/s ²)
5	2	2.5
10	5	2
12	6	2
15	3	5
20	4	5

The data from your experiment helps you observe how different combinations of net force and mass affect the acceleration of an object, demonstrating the principles of Newton's Second Law, which states that the acceleration of an object as produced by a net force is directly proportional to the magnitude of the net force, in the same direction as the net force, and inversely proportional to the mass of the object (a=F/m).

Based on the data provided in the table, how does applying a net force to an object affect the acceleration of an object?



Applying a net force always results in a proportional increase in acceleration.

Applying a net force always results in a proportional decrease in В acceleration.

Applying a net force may result in either an increase or decrease in С acceleration depending on the mass of the object.



D Applying a net force has no effect on the acceleration of an object



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Relationship Between Force, Mass, and Acceleration

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Given the data in the table above, if the net force is doubled for a constant mass, by what factor does the acceleration need to increase?



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Calculate the acceleration of an object with a mass of 8 kg when a net force of 28 N is applied, assuming a direct relationship between force, mass, and acceleration when mass is constant.

