- I. Nature of Earth's surface
  - A. Lithosphere broken into plates that move over weak asthenosphere
    - 1. movement due to convection of heat from inner Earth to surface
    - 2. plates composed of crust and some mantle
    - 3. most plates have continental and oceanic crust on them
    - 4. interaction of edges where relative movement is apparent
      - a. divergent
        - 1) pressure release allows underlying asthenosphere to melt and fill in
        - 2) creates basaltic rock
        - b. convergent
          - 1) oceanic crust can be forced down into mantle--subducted
          - 2) plates carrying continental crust too buoyant to subduct
        - c. lateral ('transform') boundaries where plates slide past one another
  - B. Features of ocean basins
    - 1. much is expansive flat areas—abyssal plains
    - 2. deep ocean trenches where sea floor is bent by subduction
      - a. narrow zones bordered by young mountain ranges
      - b. subduction creates uplift of these by generation of magma
    - 3. oceanic ridge system formed at divergent boundaries
      - a. broad, gentle uplift may or may not be in center of basin
      - b. interconnected to form largest volume of mountain range on Earth—70,000 km long
  - C. Features of continents
    - 1. shoreline a coincidence of volume of ocean basin and amount of liquid water
      - a. actual boundary between oceanic basin and continents due to type of crust upon lithosphere plate
      - b. sea water laps up onto continental surfaces in zones of various widths
      - c. 40% of Earth's surface is continental, although about ¼ of this is covered with sea water at present
    - 2. Mountain belts rise high above average elevation of continents
      - a. Two major zones
        - 1) Circum-Pacific belt
        - 2) Alpine-Himalayan chain
      - b. Both result of lithospheric plate convergence
    - 3. continental shield composed of remnants of ancient mountain belts
      - a. folded crystalline rock
      - b. stable, not near lithosphere plate boundaries
    - 4. stable platform
      - a. has thin veneer of sedimentary rock deposited on them
      - b. may be only fundamental difference to shield

- II. Earth is a system, with the spheres continually interacting
  - A. Parts are linked, and action in one changes another
  - B. Cycles repeat motion over short or enormous lengths of time
  - C. Energy for system
    - 1. External—provided by Sun
    - 2. Internal—original heat of gravitational contraction, and by radioactive decay
- III. Matter is composed of atoms—smallest particle that retains properties
  - A. Atoms—
    - 1. composed of 'subatomic particles— three fundamental ones
      - a. protons
        - 1) have mass ~ 1 atomic mass unit
        - 2) have positive electrical charge
      - b. neutrons
        - 1) have mass ~ 1 atomic mass unit
        - 2) have no electrical charge
      - c. electrons
        - 1) have mass of ~1/2000 atomic mass unit
        - 2) have negative electrical charge
    - 2. structure of atom
      - a. nucleus contains protons and neutrons—subequal numbers
        - 1) number of protons determines the element
        - 2) number of neutrons may be different in different atoms of the same element—leading to different 'isotopes
          - a) most isotopes are stable
          - b) unstable isotopes are 'radioactive', and disintegrate over time
            - i. in a certain length of time, one half of the atoms of an unstable isotope will decay into another substance
            - ii. this length of time is the 'half-life; of the isotope
              - a. half-life is constant for an isotope
                - b. can be used to determine age of material, by measuring how much of the 'daughter' and 'parent'
      - b. electrons surrounding in cloud
        - 1) occur on average in more likely positions
        - 2) called 'shells', which have energy levels
        - 3) outermost shell are 'valence electrons,
          - a) responsible for reactions with other atoms
          - b) full shells are not reactive
            - i. first shell can contain 2 electrons
            - ii. successive outer shells can contain 8 electrons
      - c. atom is electrically neutral when it has the same number of electrons and protons

- IV. Periodic table of elements
  - A. Each atom is represented by a letter symbol-
    - 1. one or two letters
      - a. capitalize the first letter,
      - b. do NOT capitalize a second letter if present
    - 2. letters often initials in a foreign or even obsolete language, for the element or a major substance that contains the element
  - B. Arranged in rows, or 'periods' according to atomic number, increasing mass in each succeeding row
  - C. Columns are called 'groups'
    - 1. determined by number of valence electrons
      - a. same number of valence electrons results in similar properties
      - b. full shells of electrons are not reactive with other elements
      - c. most atoms lose, gain or share electrons with other atoms in order to attain a 'full-shell' electron configuration
        - 1) elements gaining or losing electrons become 'ions'
          - a) gaining electrons results in negative charge—'anion'
          - b) losing electrons results in positive charge—'cation'
    - 2. groups—the columns
      - a. far right—Noble Gases have full electron shells
      - b. next to far right—Halogens: missing one electron of a full shell
      - c. far left—Alkali Metals: single electron in outer shell
      - d. next to far left—Alkaline Earth Metals: two electrons in outer shell
  - D. Minerals are composed of bonded elements
    - 1. naturally occurring inorganic solid with atoms in orderly internal arrangement (crystalline structure) and a definite chemical composition (that can vary within limits)
    - 2. most minerals in Earth's crust are silicates
      - a. compounds containing oxygen and silicon
      - b. building block is the 'silica tetrahedron'—one oxygen, four silicon
  - E. Elemental structure can be shown with diagrams of electron shells
    - 1. 'Bohr diagrams' named after Niels Bohr, who presented the hypothesis of electrons filling shells
    - 2. Show element with its symbol, and arcs indicating the electron shells
      - a. First shell filled with two electrons-e<sup>2-</sup>
      - b. Successive shells filled with eight electrons
      - c. Number of arcs corresponds to the row number of element in the periodic table

- F. Electron dot-diagrams are useful for predicting bonding of elements dots surrounding the element represent its valence electrons
  - 1. Show how elements bond by filling or emptying dot shell
  - 2. become ions with dots, charges and electrons
    - a. Ca-->Ca<sup>2+</sup> + 2e<sup>-</sup>
    - b. Br + e<sup>-</sup> -->Br<sup>-</sup>
    - c. Show ionic bonding reactions by transfer of electrons only
  - 3. Covalent bonds share electrons
    - a. Show unfilled shells on left
    - b. Show sharing of electrons on right
    - c. CI+CI-->Cl<sub>2</sub>
    - d. Electrons shared equally by same type of atom-nonpolar
    - e. Different types of atoms, resulting in a molecule that has 'polarity', or is 'polar' (like a magnet has poles)
- V. Molecules
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  - B. Naming Compounds
    - 1. Cations take on their element name, plus 'ion'
    - 2. Anions names derive from their element name
      - a. change ending to 'ide'
      - b. plus 'ion'
    - 3. put two names together, cation first, anion after
  - C. formulas of ionic compounds
    - 1. find charges of ions from location in periodic table
    - 2. combine so charges cancel to zero—electrically neutral compound
    - 3. book states to crossover the charge amounts into subscripts—works