



Minerals - Teacher's Notes

Although commonly the word "mineral" is used to denote a metal, minerals are any inorganic (non-living) thing which has an almost constant chemical composition and whose crystals have the same geometric shapes.

In Earth Science minerals include iron ore, diamonds, clay and even quartz sand.

Oresome Resources have a fine lesson recognising everyday uses for minerals at:

http://www.oresomeresources.com/resources_view/resource/lesson_every_day_objects_made_from_minerals_year_2

If you visit the Earth Science Western Australia website www.earthsciencewa.com.au you will find how to access free teachers loan boxes with a selection of minerals and activities with teacher's guides. You can modify to suit your class



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