

Table Rock 8th Grade Geology Vocabulary

Amphibolite - amphibole-rich metamorphic rock

Cleavage - tendency of a mineral to break along internal planes of weakness

Feldspar - most common mineral group, all contain aluminum, silicon, and oxygen

Foliated - layered textural mineral appearance brought about during metamorphism

Gneiss - highly foliated metamorphic rock, often granite-like in composition

Heft - relative measure of the density or specific gravity of an object

Nonfoliated - unlayered textural term applied to metamorphic rocks