

Rocks All Around

Read closely to notice the sizes and shapes of rocks.

SC.2.E.6.1 "Recognize that Earth is made up of rocks. Rocks come in many sizes and shapes."

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1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each word or phrase that tells about a rock's size or shape so you can notice how rocks can be different.

Earth's Many Rocks

- ① Earth has a rocky outer layer. Rocks are part of the ground under grass, sand, and streets. Some rocks are buried deep below us. Others rest where people can see and touch them.
- ② A pebble can fit in your hand. A boulder may be taller than a child. Both are rocks in nature, even though one is very small and the other is very large.
- ③ Rocks also have many shapes. A smooth river rock can be round. A rock that breaks from a cliff may have sharp corners. Rocks can be flat, lumpy, long, or jagged.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

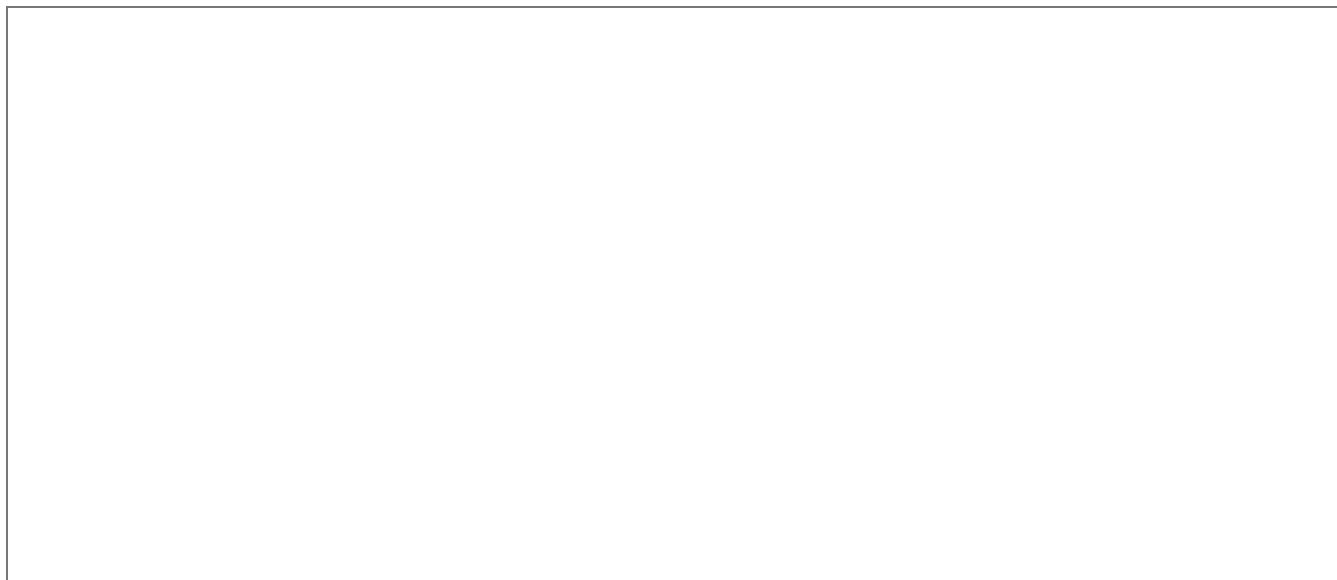
1 How are rocks part of Earth?

2 How is a pebble different in size from a boulder?

3 Name two shapes that rocks can have.

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

In the box, draw a small rock and a large rock with different shapes. Write one sentence telling how the two rocks are different.



PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each word or phrase that tells about a rock's size or shape so you can notice how rocks can be different. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	How are rocks part of Earth?	Rocks are part of Earth's rocky outer layer and the ground.
2	How is a pebble different in size from a boulder?	A pebble can fit in a hand, while a boulder may be taller than a child.
3	Name two shapes that rocks can have.	Answers may include round, sharp-cornered, flat, lumpy, long, or jagged.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A drawing shows a small, round pebble and a large, jagged boulder. The pebble is small and round, but the boulder is large and jagged.

Accept any drawing of two rocks that clearly differ in size and shape. The sentence should accurately describe both differences.