

Vocabulary

Study the vocabulary words and definitions below.

dissected mountains mountains formed by the erosion of a plain or plateau

dome mountains mountains formed when rocks are pushed up by internal forces within Earth

fault-block mountains mountains formed by the movement of large amounts of rock along a crack in Earth's crust

folded mountains mountains formed as a result of the bending of rocks in Earth's crust

glacier large, moving mass of ice and snow

gorge a very steep valley between young mountains

hills landforms less than 600 meters high

mountain range a series of mountains parallel to each other

mountain system a group of mountain ranges

mountains landforms that are at least 600 meters high

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plain a flat area of low elevation

plateau a flat area of land over 600 meters above sea level

relief the difference in elevation between the high and low points of a land surface

slope side of a mountain

summit top of a mountain

volcanic mountains mountains formed by volcanoes

weathering the breaking down of rocks and other particles by wind, water, and ice