Rocks Vocabulary

What did one elevator say to the other? "I think I'm coming down with something!"

A study sheet to learn about rocks.

1. **magma**  
   Molten rock in the earth's crust

2. **diamond**  
   Very hard native crystalline carbon valued as a gem; can cut glass

3. **fossil**  
   The remains (or an impression) of a plant or animal that existed in a past geological age and that has been excavated from the soil

4. **hardness**  
   The property of being rigid and resistant to pressure; not easily scratched; measured on Mohs scale

5. **igneous rock**  
   Rock formed by the solidification of molten magma

6. **metamorphic rock**  
   Rock altered by pressure and heat

7. **microscope**  
   Geologists use this to study different minerals that make up a rock's composition

8. **minerals**  
   Solid homogeneous inorganic substances occurring in nature having a definite chemical composition

9. **sedimentary rock**  
   Rock formed from consolidated clay sediments

10. **geology**  
    A science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks