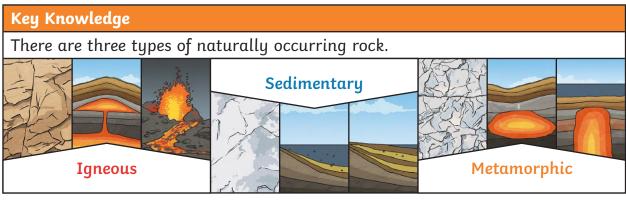
Key Vocabulary		
igneous rock	Rock that has been formed from magma or lava.	
sedimentary rock	Rock that has been formed by layers of sediment being pressed down hard and sticking together. You can see the layers of sediment in the rock.	
metamorphic rock	Rock that started out as <b>igneous</b> or <b>sedimentary rock</b> but changed due to being exposed to extreme heat or pressure.	
magma	Molten rock that remains underground.	
lava	Molten rock that comes out of the ground is called lava.	
sediment	Natural solid material that is moved and dropped off in a new place by water or wind, e.g. sand.	
permeable	Allows liquids to pass through it.	
impermeable	Does not allow liquids to pass through it.	



Natural Rocks			Human-Made
Igneous	Sedimentary	Metamorphic	Rocks
Obsidian	Chalk	Marble	Brick
Granite	Sandstone	Quartzite	Concrete
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Basalt	Limestone	Slate	Coade Stone

To look at all the planning resources linked to the Rocks unit, click here.

Some words you might use to discuss the properties of a rock:

hard, soft, permeable, impermeable, durable (meaning resistant to weathering), high density, low density. Density measures how 'bulky' the rock is (how tightly packed the molecules are).





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Key Vocabulary		
fossilisation	The process by which fossils are made.	
palaeontology	The study of fossils.	
erosion	When water, wind or ice wears away land.	

Caves are formed when water permeates through the bedrock and erodes some of the rock away. Over thousands of years these caves can become very large.



#### Key Knowledge Soil Soil is the uppermost layer of the Earth. It is a mixture of different things: minerals (the minerals in soil topsoil come from finely broken-down rock); air; water: subsoil organic matter (including living and dead plants and animals). bedrock

#### Fossilisation

An animal dies. It gets covered with sediments which eventually become rock.

More layers of rock cover it. Only hard parts of the creature remain, e.g. bones, shells and teeth.

Over thousands of years, sediment might enter the mould to make a cast fossil. Bones may change to mineral but will stay the same shape.

Changes in sea level take place over a long period.

As **erosion** and weathering take place, eventually the fossil becomes exposed.















Key Vocabulary		
life processes	These are the things that all living things do. They move, breathe, sense, grow, make babies, get rid of waste and get their energy from food.	
living	Things that are living have all the life processes.	
dead	Things that are dead were once living. They did have all the life processes but don't now.	
never living	Things made out of metal, plastic or rock were never living. They never had the life processes.	
food chain	A food chain shows how each animal gets its food. Food chains are one of the ways that living things depend on each other to stay alive.	
food sources	This is the place a living thing's food comes from.	

# Key Knowledge







Food chains. The arrows mean 'is eaten by'.







To look at all the planning resources linked to the Living Things and Their Habitats unit, click here.





habitat	A habitat is the natural place something lives. A habitat provides living things with everything they need to survive such as food, shelter and water.	
microhabitat	A microhabitat is a very small habitat in places like under a rock, under leaves or on a branch. Minibeasts live in microhabitats. The microhabitats have everything they need to survive.	
depend	Many living things in a habitat depend on each other. This means they need each other for different things.	
survive	This means to stay alive.	

## Key Knowledge

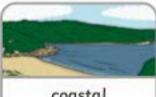
### Examples of habitats:







urban



coastal



rainforest



arctic



desert





river



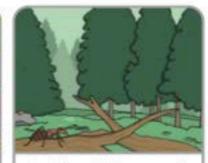
Examples of microhabitats:



short grass



flowers



inside rotting wood



under leaves



in and on soil



