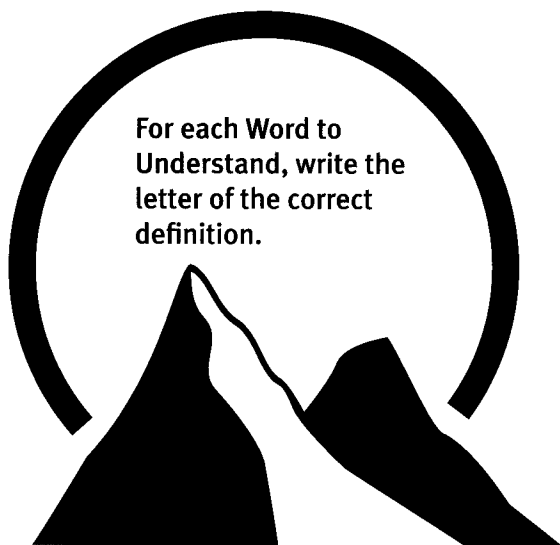


## Words to Understand



For each Word to Understand, write the letter of the correct definition.

1. compress \_\_\_\_\_
2. era \_\_\_\_\_
3. erosion \_\_\_\_\_
4. excavation \_\_\_\_\_
5. fault \_\_\_\_\_
6. fossil fuel \_\_\_\_\_
7. fracture \_\_\_\_\_
8. geologist \_\_\_\_\_
9. organic \_\_\_\_\_
10. quarry \_\_\_\_\_
11. remnant \_\_\_\_\_
12. sediment \_\_\_\_\_

**A** fuel, such as oil, coal, or natural gas that was formed from living matter of a previous geologic time

**B** mineral or organic matter deposited by water, air, or ice

**C** the digging site of an archaeological exploration

**D** to make more compact by pressing

**E** pertaining to the remains of living animals or plants

**F** the wearing away of the earth's surface by water, glaciers, and wind

**G** a major division of geologic time composed of a number of periods

**H** remaining; leftover; a trace

**I** a scientist who studies the history of the earth as recorded in rock

**J** a fracture in the earth's surface

**K** an excavation, usually open to the air, from which building stone is obtained

**L** a broken surface or crack