Flash Card Directions

- Please use the provided flashcards to memorize the names and some general uses / facts about common igneous, metamorphic, and sedimentary rocks.
- Write the name of the rock on the back of the flashcards. Then cut the flash cards out and try to line up the three boxes to complete each mineral.
- Start small with only a few, get really good at those, and then add another rock into your practice. Each time you master a small set add another rock in until they are all mastered.
- Moving the cards around on a table / clean surface is how these will help you. Just staring at them / trying to memorize them without moving and jumbling will not be as helpful.

Igneous	Sedimentary	Metamorphic
- Granite	-	- Slate
- Basalt	Conglomerate	- Schist
- Obsidian	- Shale	- Marble
- Diorite	- Limestone	- Quartzite
- Rhyolite	- Sandstone	- Gneiss
- Pumice		-
- Andesite		Metaconglomerate
- Diorite		
- Gabbro		
- Andesite		

	Igneous Rock – Intrusive with large crystals. Composed mainly of quartz and feldspar.	Granite
	Igneous Rock – Dark Colored. Extrusive with fine grain crystals. Forms from cooled lava.	Basalt
A Contraction	Igneous Rock - Forms when molten rock material cooled rapidly. The result is a volcanic glass. No crystals (usually)	Obsidian
	Igneous Rock – Intrusive, A coarse- grained rock that contains a mixture of feldspar, pyroxene, hornblende and sometimes quartz.	Diorite

Igneous Rock – Extrusive, A light- colored rock. It forms through very rapid cooling.	Pumice
Igneous Rock – Extrusive, A fine- grained rock composed mainly of plagioclase with other minerals such as hornblende, pyroxene and biotite.	Andesite
Igneous Rock – Intrusive, Coarse- grained, dark- colored. It is usually black or dark green in color. It is the most abundant rock in the deep oceanic crust.	Gabbro
Igneous Rock – Extrusive, a light- colored, fine- grained rock that typically contains quartz and feldspar minerals.	Rhyolite

Sedimentary Rocks		
	Sedimentary, -Clastic Rock that contains large rounded clasts. The space between the clasts is generally filled with small particles that binds the rock together.	Conglomerate
	Sedimentary, A fine-grained rock that forms from the compaction of silt and clay-size mineral particles → "Mud"	Shale
Joe de	Sedimentary - Composed primarily of calcium carbonate – (Calcite), forms in marine waters and often has fossils.	Limestone
	Sedimentary, clastic rock made up mainly of sand. Found in environments where large amounts of sand can accumulate.	Sandstone

	Sedimentary Rock – Primary Mineral is Halite. Can form when water evaporates and leaves dissolved minerals behind.	Rock Salt
Metamorphic Rock	Metamorphic –	
	Foliated, is fine- grained. Formed from shale and used for roofing and flooring.	Slate
	Metamorphic – Foliated, It often contains significant amounts of mica.	Schist
	Metamorphic, Non- foliated rock that is produced from the metamorphism of limestone. It is composed primarily of calcium carbonate.	Marble

Metamorphic, Non- foliated rock that is produced by the metamorphism of sandstone. It is composed primarily of quartz.	Quartzite
A nonfoliated metamorphic rock with many stretched or distorted pebbles inside.	Meta- conglomerate
Foliated metamorphic rock with banding. Medium to coarse grains. Minerals are segregated into bands. It's such a nice rock.	Gneiss

ΙΝ	Igneous Rocks cooled <u>In</u> side the earth very slowly. Large crystals / Coarse grains. (Granite)	Intrusive
Ex	Igneous Rocks cooled Outside the earth very quickly. Small crystals / fine grains. (Basalt)	Extrusive