

12 EES 2 Tectonic Impacts - Part 2 Study online at quizlet.com/_1y7vel

1 mid-oceanic ridge	a mountain range under the world's oceans often with a deep valley along its centre
2. monocline	rocks folded into a roughly S-shape
3. normal fault	a fault where the rock above the fault line has moved down relative to the rock below
4. Pangaea	the crescent shaped supercontinent made up of all the present continents fitted together to form one large landmass
5. plate- crustal	any of the large movable segments into which the Earth's crust is divided according to the theory of plate tectonics
6. plate tectonics	the theory that the surface of the Earth is divided into a number of constantly moving crustal plates; can be used to explain the present positions of the continents
7. plate tectonic supercycle	the cyclic joining together and breaking apart of continents as they move across the earth's surface
8. platform	relatively thin layers of undisturbed sedimentary rocks lying over a shield
9. pluton	a large body of intrusive igneous rock less than 30km in diameter
10. primary (P) waves	the first seismic wave that reaches a seismograph from an earthquake; a compression wave
11. pyroclastic flow	a fast-moving mixture of hot gases and hot volcanic ash from a volcano
12. resonance	the larger amplitude produced when a small vibration is applied to a body at its natural frequency
13. reverse fault	a fault where the rocks above the fault line move up compared to the rocks below
14. Richter scale	a scale for expressing the magnitude of an earthquake
15. Rodinia	the supercontinent of the late Proterozoic
16. secondary (S) waves	the second waves to arrive at a seismograph from an earthquake; a transverse wave
17. seismic	a term describing movements within the Earth
18. seismograph	a device used to measure the intensity of an earthquake
19. shear	the effect of applied forces that causes or tends to cause two parts of a body to slide relatively to each other in a direction parallel to their plane of contact
20. shield	cratons exposed at the surface

21. subduction	the process by which one crustal plate descends beneath another, such as along a deep oceanic trench
22. syncline	a trough of stratified rock in which the beds dips toward each other from either side in a roughly U-shape
23. tension	forces pulling in opposite directions
24. thermal uplift	the vertical movement of land masses due to large masses of molten rock rising under continents from the mantle
25. transform boundary	when two crustal plates move past each other with no new crust formed or old crust destroyed
26. tsunami	a large ocean wave produced by an earthquake or volcanic eruption
27. viscosity	a measure of the resistance to flow that a gas or liquid offers, as when it flows through a tube, or when another body attempts to travel through the gas or liquid
28. volcano	a hole or crack in the Earth from which molten rock (magma) and gas are produced