

Mineral name: Quartz

General Mineral formula: SiO_2

Mineral chemical class: Tectosilicate

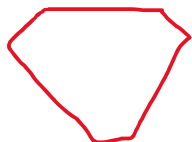
Commented [AH1]: glassy luster, hardness, and conchoidal fracture.

Specific Gravity: Medium-Light	Crystal System: Trigonal
Hardness: 7	Crystal Class: 3 2
Cleavage: Irregular / Conchoidal Fracture	Crystal description (common forms, habit, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">Hexagonal Prismatic crystal shapeIrregular shape when cleaved
Luster: Vitreous	
Streak: White	
Characteristic Color(s): None, can be many different colors, or colorless	

Environment (where you find the mineral): <ul style="list-style-type: none">Occurs in wide variety of environmentsIntrusive and extraneous igneous rockGranite, diorite, gabbroSedimentary rocks	Common Mineral Associations (in samples; also consult text, notes): <ul style="list-style-type: none">Amethyst, Smoky Quartz, Rose Quartz, Citrine, Agate, Onyx, Chalcedony
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Scientific use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Optical instruments	Industrial or societal use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Used for making glassTransistorsAbrasive or filler in plastics / paints	Environmental significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Host rocks for other minerals like goldPhysically stable on earths surface
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Trigonal prismatic form



Conchoidal fracture

Vitreous lustre

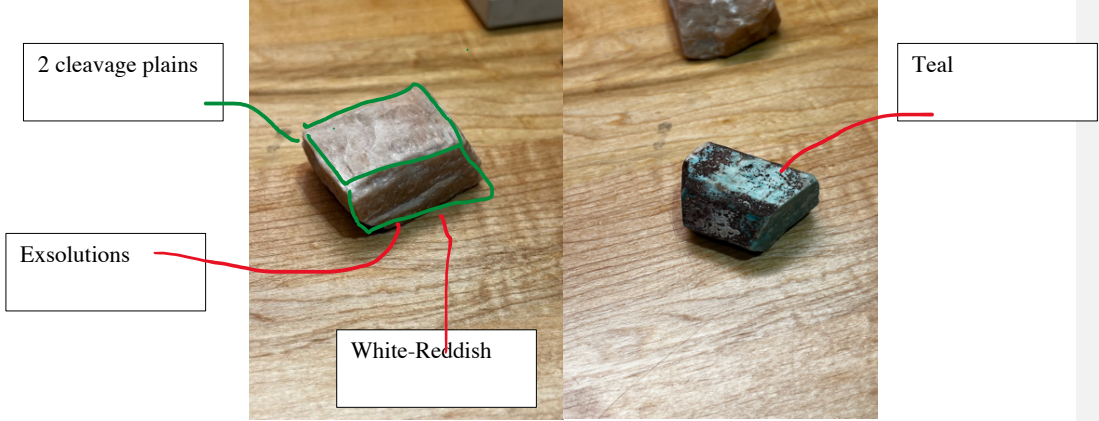
Mineral name: Microcline(K-feldspar)

General Mineral formula: KAlSi_3O_8
Mineral chemical class: Tectosilicate

Specific Gravity: Medium	Crystal System: Triclinic
Hardness: 6-7	Crystal Class: Bar 1
Cleavage: Cleavage on two planes / directions, not 90 degrees	Crystal description (common forms, habit, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rhombohedron shape• Subhedral• Exsolution Lamellae
Luster: Waxy	
Streak: Dark Gray Streak	
Characteristic Color(s): Teal, white-pinkish	

Commented [AH2]: Teal due to lead impurities

Environment (where you find the mineral): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• felsic igneous rocks• granite• low temperatures		Common Mineral Associations (in samples; also consult text, notes): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• amazonite,• Sanidine, orthoclase	
Scientific use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•	Industrial or societal use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ceramics	Environmental significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•	



Mineral name: Sanidine(K-feldspar)

General Mineral formula: KAlSi_3O_8
Mineral chemical class: Tectosilicate

Specific Gravity: Medium	Crystal System: Monoclinic
Hardness: 6	Crystal Class: 2/m
Cleavage: Cleavage on two planes	Crystal description (common forms, habit, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tabular• Euhedral• Tiny / Bladed
Luster: Vitreous	
Streak: White	
Characteristic Color(s): Clear, white/grayish	

Environment (where you find the mineral):

- Volcanic rocks, appear felsic
- Occurs as phenocrysts in finer-grained volcanic rocks.

Common Mineral Associations (in samples; also consult text, notes):

- Rhyolite, Rhyodacite
- Microcline, Orthoclase

Scientific use/significance:

- Radiometric dating for volcanic eruptions

Industrial or societal use/significance:

- Porcelain
- Gemstones

Environmental significance:

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Felsic Volcanic rock



Clear color

Mineral name: Zeolite

General Mineral formula: $M_xD_y(Al_{x+2y}Si_{n-x-2y}O_{2n}) \cdot mH_2O$

Mineral chemical class: Tectosilicate

Specific Gravity: Medium 2-2.4	Crystal System: Triclinic
Hardness: 4-5	Crystal Class: 1 Bar
Cleavage: Uneven Fracture	Crystal description (common forms, habit, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Botryoidal groups of dodecahedral shapes.• Subhedral•
Luster: Vitreous	
Streak: White	
Characteristic Color(s): Mainly White - brownish impurities	

Environment (where you find the mineral): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Secondary(produced by alteration of some precursor mineral) across fractures• Veins in basaltic igneous rocks(volcanic)• Altered tuffs/ ash falls• Low grade metamorphic rocks	Common Mineral Associations (in samples; also consult text, notes): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laumontite, Natrolite, Scolecite
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Scientific use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zeolites have open structure and facilitate ion exchanges	Industrial or societal use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Catalysis• Water purifications• Water softners• Cat litter• Laundry Detergent	Environmental significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Air purification, water retention
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In Volcanic rock



Mineral name: Orthoclase(K-Feldspar)

General Mineral formula: KAlSi_3O_8
Mineral chemical class: Tectosilicate

Specific Gravity: Medium	Crystal System: Monoclinic
Hardness: 6	Crystal Class: 2 / m
Cleavage: 2 planes of cleavage at 90 degrees	Crystal description (common forms, habit, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tabular / prismatic shape with clean planes, filled with little lamellae• Subhedral• Carlsbad Twinning
Luster: Dull / Sub Vitreous	
Streak: White	
Characteristic Color(s): Dark Gray / Whitish	

Environment (where you find the mineral): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Felsic Igneous Rock• Intermediate temperatures• Granites	Common Mineral Associations (in samples; also consult text, notes): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Granites,• Microcline, anidine
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Scientific use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•	Industrial or societal use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ceramics• Abrasives• Crushed Stones• Gem materials	Environmental significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chages water quality
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In felsic igneous rock



White with lamanelle

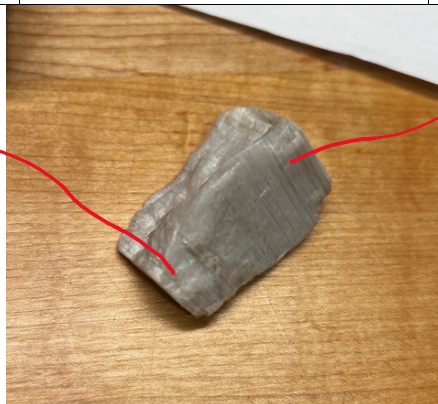
Mineral name: Plagioclase(K-Feldspar)

General Mineral formula: $\text{CaAl}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_8$ - $\text{CaAl}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_8$

Mineral chemical class: Tectosilicate

Specific Gravity: Medium	Crystal System: Triclinic	
Hardness: 7	Crystal Class: bar 1	
Cleavage: 2 planes of cleavage at 90 degrees	Crystal description (common forms, habit, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prismatic with rough shape• Subhedral• Albite Twinning	
Luster: Waxy		
Streak: White		
Characteristic Color(s): White / Reddish		
Environment (where you find the mineral): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Igneous and metamorphic rocks		Common Mineral Associations (in samples; also consult text, notes): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basalt• Olivine• Labordite, Andesine, Anorthite, Albite
Scientific use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Geochemical cycles• Used in general study of crust and seismic activity.	Industrial or societal use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aggregate, sand and gravel for concrete• Asphalt• Filler	Environmental significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Most common mineral in the crust

Mildly prismatic shape



Albite Twinning

Mineral name: Sodalite

General Mineral formula: $\text{Na}_8\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{24}\text{Cl}_2$

Mineral chemical class: Tectosilicate

Specific Gravity: Medium	Crystal System: Isometric
Hardness: 5-6	Crystal Class: bar 4 em
Cleavage: Irregular cleavage	Crystal description (common forms, habit, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amorpheous rock• Anhedral• Small crystals
Luster: Dull (vitreous in better shape)	
Streak: White	
Characteristic Color(s): Deep navy Blue	

Environment (where you find the mineral): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alkali rich, silicon poor igneous rock• Contact metamorphic settings(lazurite / lapis lazuli)	Common Mineral Associations (in samples; also consult text, notes): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lazurite(Pyroxene,calcite,pyrite)• Nepheline• Pyrite
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Scientific use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•	Industrial or societal use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jewlery• Dye• Dimension stone to face buildings• Medicinal treatment for diabetes	Environmental significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•
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Deep Blue



Mineral name: Nepheline

General Mineral formula: $\text{Na}_3\text{K}(\text{Al}_4\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{16})$

Mineral chemical class: Tectosilicate

Specific Gravity: Medium 2.5-2.6	Crystal System: Hexagonal
Hardness: 5-6	Crystal Class: 6
Cleavage: Poor cleavage / irregular fracture	Crystal description (common forms, habit, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prismatic shapes that are supposedly octagonal• Subhedral
Luster: Vitreous	
Streak: White	
Characteristic Color(s): Grayish-white	

Environment (where you find the mineral): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alkali-rich, si-poor igneous rock• Nepheline syenites	Common Mineral Associations (in samples; also consult text, notes): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cancrinite, Sodalite,• Analcime• Leucite
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Scientific use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Turns cloudy when treated with strong acid	Industrial or societal use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Glass and ceramics• Filler of paints plastics and rubber.• Aluminum extraction	Environmental significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•
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White color with vitreous lustre



Mineral name: Scapolite

General Mineral formula: $\text{Na}_4\text{Al}_3\text{Si}_9\text{O}_{24}\text{Cl}-\text{Ca}_4\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{24}\text{CO}_3$
Mineral chemical class: Tectosilicate

Specific Gravity: Medium	Crystal System: Tetragonal
Hardness: 5-6	Crystal Class: 4/m
Cleavage: 2 to 3 planes of cleavage	Crystal description (common forms, habit, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rectangular, Prismatic• Form in interlocked groups• Subhedral
Luster: Vitreous/ Greasy	
Streak: White	
Characteristic Color(s): Gray with red tinge	

Environment (where you find the mineral): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contact and regional metamorphic rocks from calcareous sediments• Ca rich• Metamorphic	Common Mineral Associations (in samples; also consult text, notes): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Calcite, Titanite, Garnet, Diopside• Marialite to Meionite• Wernerite
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Scientific use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Huge cage, open structure	Industrial or societal use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gemstones• No industrial uses	Environmental significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•
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Rectangular
prism structures



Mineral name: Leucite

General Mineral formula: KAlSi_2O_6
Mineral chemical class: Tectosilicate

Specific Gravity: Medium (2.45-2.5)	Crystal System: Tetragonal (Looks isometric)
Hardness: 5-6	Crystal Class: 4/m
Cleavage: Not shown, but typical no cleavage. Conchoidal fracture	Crystal description (common forms, habit, etc.): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Distinct Trapezohedron in mafic igneous rock• Grows singularly• Subhedral
Luster: Vitreous	
Streak: White	
Characteristic Color(s): Gray to white.	

Environment (where you find the mineral): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Low Pressures, lavas(exteraneous)• K-bearing Mafic Igenous Rock		Common Mineral Associations (in samples; also consult text, notes): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plagioclase• Nepheline• Sanidine• Clinopyroxene• Sodic amphiboles
Scientific use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•	Industrial or societal use/significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ceramics• Dental Prostheses• Decrative stone	Environmental significance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•

Trapezohedral shape, white

