

SOIL

NOT just dirt

· Dirt

non-living
living/organic

- Clay / rock particles
- Minerals
- Poop
- Dead / decaying organic material
- Nutrients
- Living organisms

soil:
ecosystem

Soil formation:

→ weatherization of rocks
(parent material)

→ actions of living organisms

- Vocab notes - 1-4 words per page
- One sentence summary for each section
- 2-3 sentences summarizing the main points of the article
 - It is worthwhile to build topsoil
 - It is possible to build topsoil
 - We need: minerals, air, water, organic stuff
 - Disturbance (infrequently)
 - Cover w/plants or plant material