

Welcome to the EAPS 10000 Y01 online course Planet Earth (also known as EAPS 100)!

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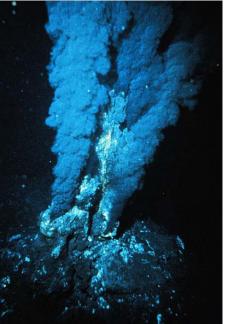
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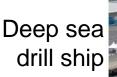


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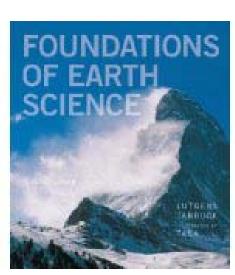
Week	Chapter	Assigned Pages	Major Concepts	Important Terms
5	9 – Oceans	294 – 319	Composition of sea water, ocean bathymetry	Salinity, continental margins, deep sea trenches, continental shelf, abyssal plain, midocean ridge, seamount, black smokers



Hydrothermal vents (some are "black smokers")







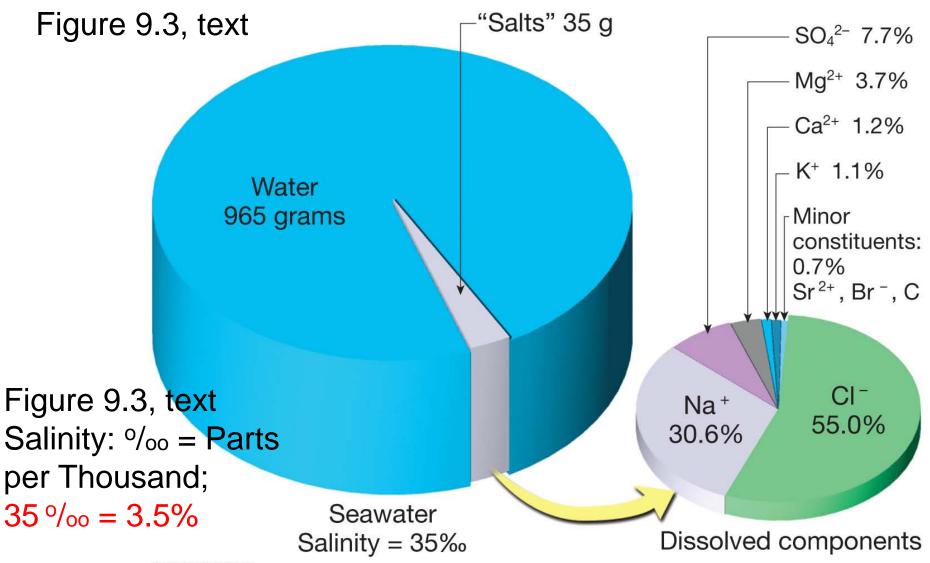
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When you have finished reading Chapter 9 and viewing the weekly PowerPoint file for Chapter 9, take the chapter quiz (Quiz8; be sure to read the Syllabus for more information on quizzes). You can use your book, notes, etc. during the quiz.

The PPT files (converted to PDF files) are best viewed with the Full Screen view in browsers.

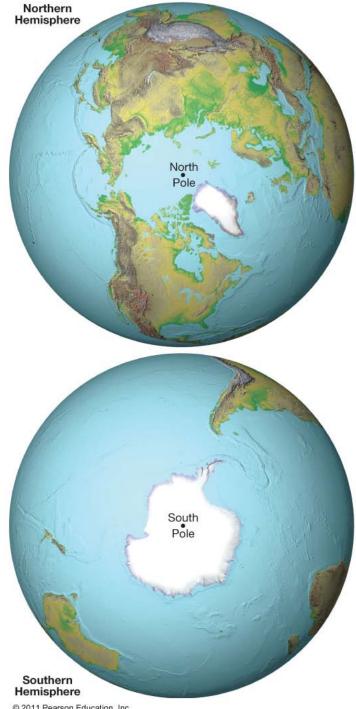
The following slides illustrate some of the important concepts and topics of Chapter 9:

Ocean Waters – Relative proportions of water and dissolved salts in seawater



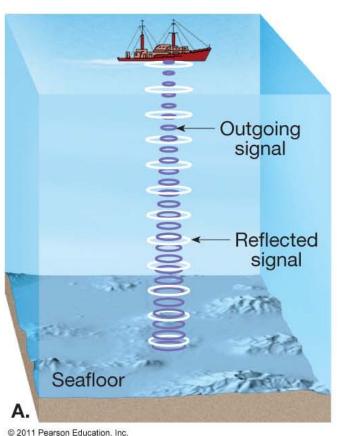
Polar views contrasting areas covered by oceans

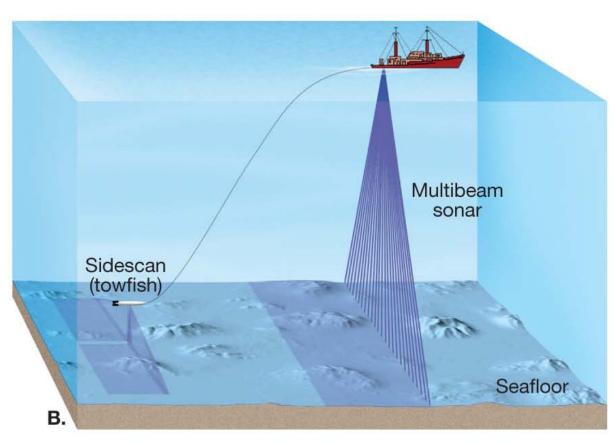
Figure 9.1, text



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Echo Sounding measures the depth (bathymetry) and shape of the ocean floor, Figure 9.11, 9.12, text.





Continental Margin and ocean bathymetry -- continental shelf (part of continental crust), continental slope (transition to oceanic crust), abyssal plain. (Mid-ocean ridge not seen here).

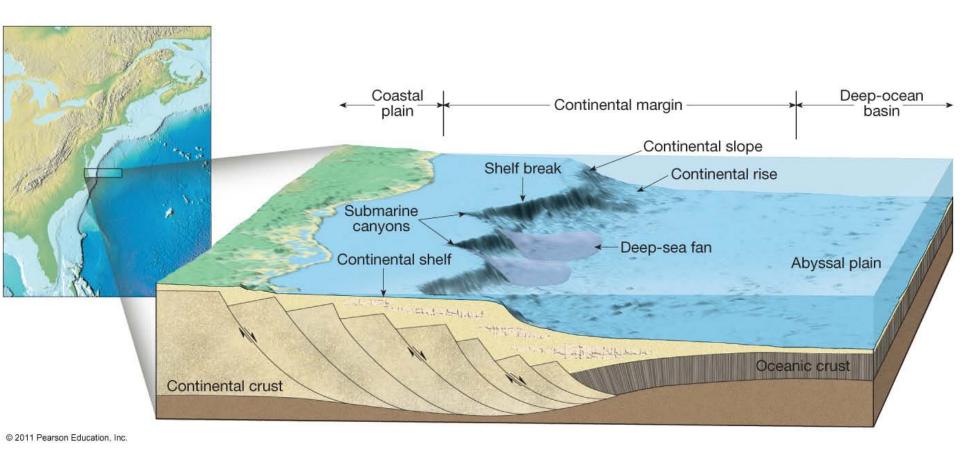
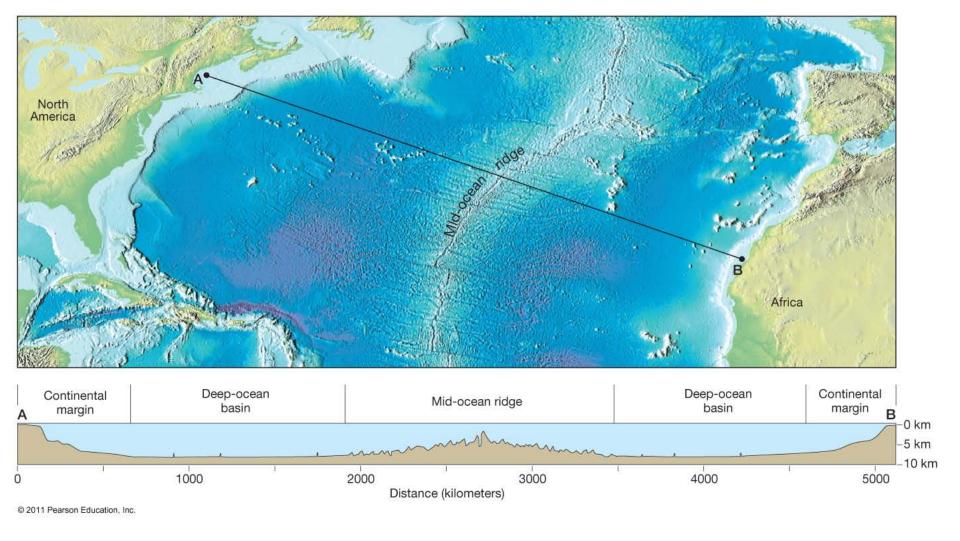


Figure 9.17, text



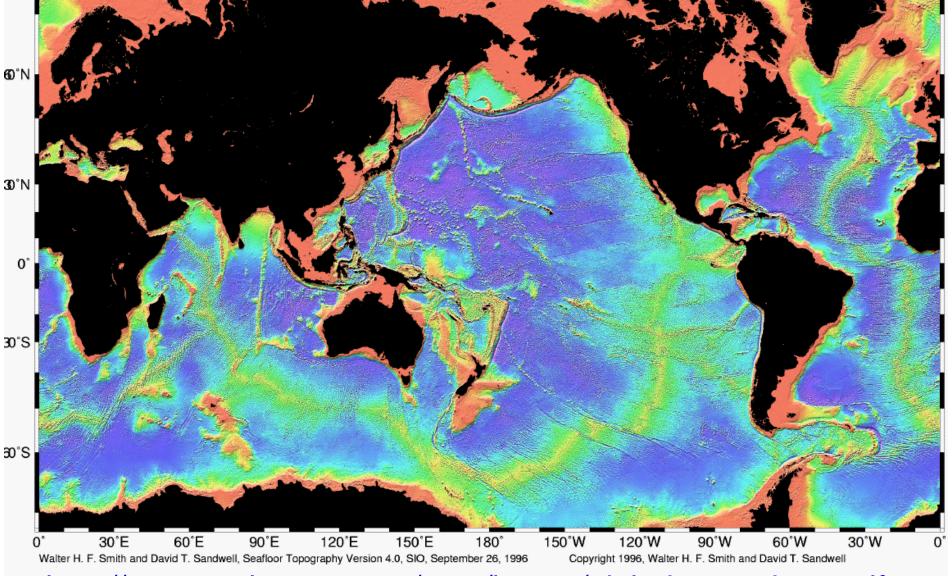
Bathymetric profile (ocean depth) across the Atlantic Ocean (ocean depth profile is vertically exaggerated making the slopes look much greater than they actually are), deep ocean basin is abyssal plain, Figure 9.15, text.

Deep sea drilling ship for scientific research (Figure p. 294-295). Cores recovered from research ships provide information on composition and age of sediments and the oceanic crust.



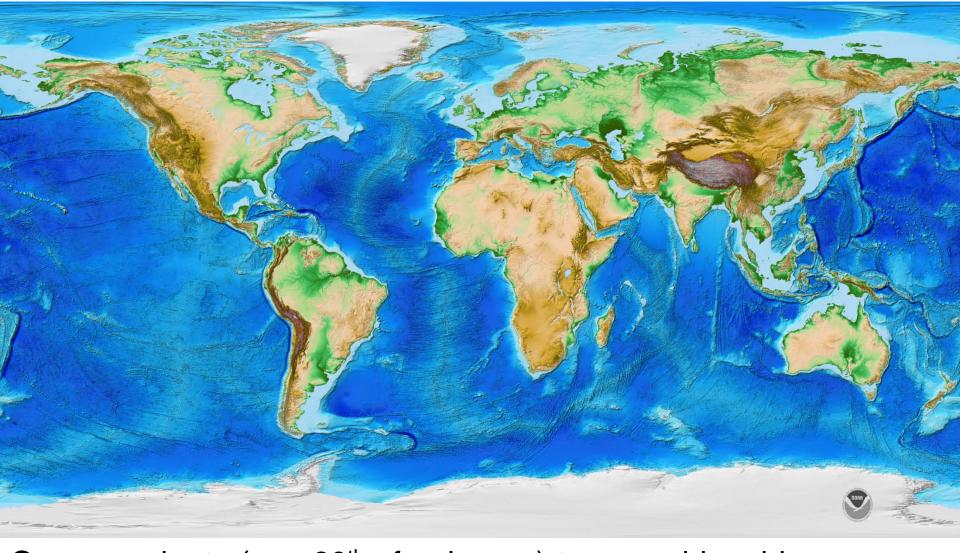
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Online image of ocean bathymetry (topography of the ocean floor)

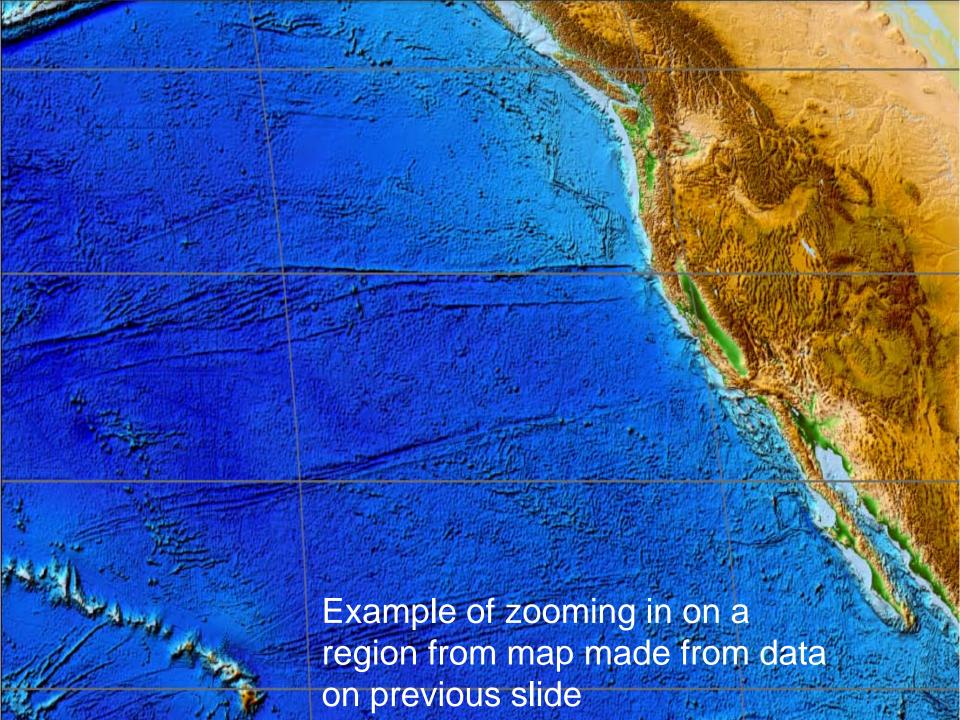


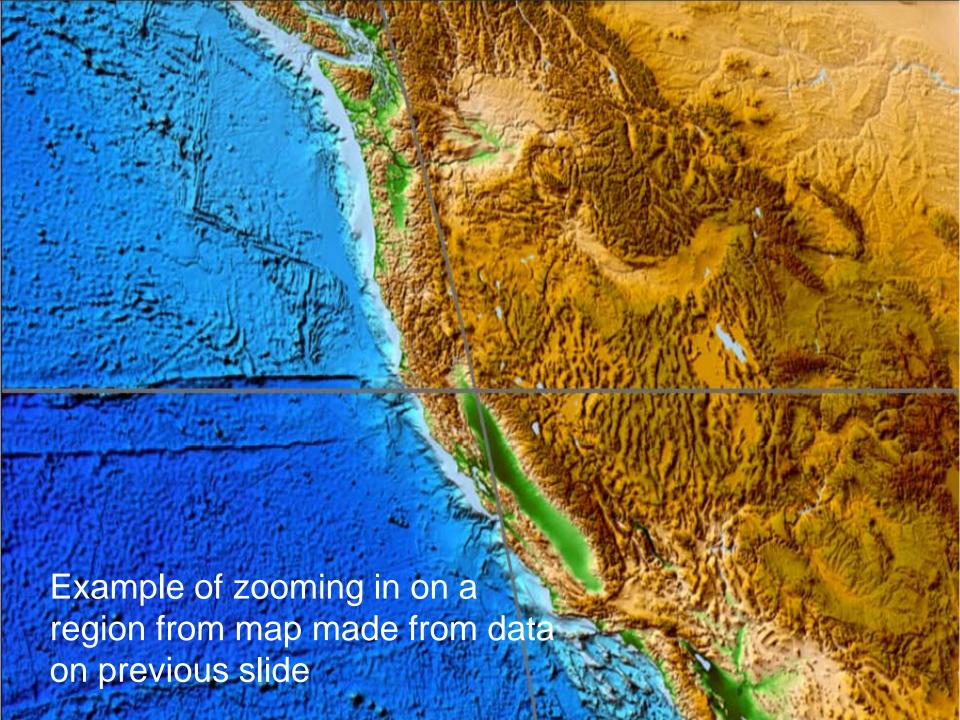
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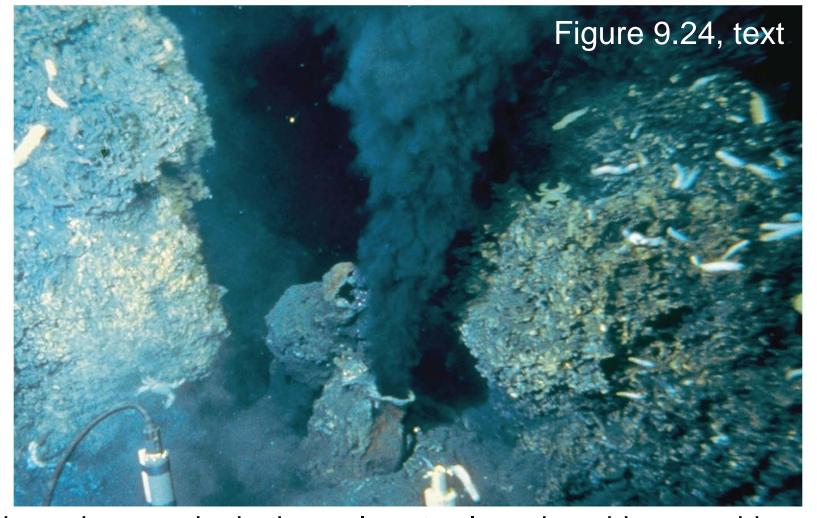
Online image of Earth topography (also see Figure 9.14, text)



One arc-minute (one 60th of a degree) topographic grid – you can zoom in (and find other files and views) using the link: http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/global/global.html







Black smokers are hydrothermal vents along the mid-ocean ridges where hot waters (up to 300 degrees C) with dissolved minerals flow from vents. The minerals precipitate upon cooling at the vent creating the black "smoke." A fascinating array of marine life (crabs, eels, lobsters, tube worms) thrives in this environment that is normally toxic to life. Minerals, such as manganese nodules, form on the ocean bottom.

Black smokers
(http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Black_smoker#Black_smokers_and _white_smokers)

Please watch the YouTube video on underwater volcanoes and vents. It is 2 minutes and 35 seconds long and includes audio:

http://www.youtube.com/watch
?v=ao20W5dgSy0

