

ROCK YOUR WORLD ACTIVITY

Look at things in your classroom, home, or neighborhood and then identify the earth resource(s) (rock, mineral, etc.) that these things are made or derived from. Keep in mind that many of these things will bear little to no resemblance to their earth resource! Best done after students have learned some basics on rocks & minerals. Are any of these rocks & minerals found in the Austin area? If they're not, where would you find them....keeping in mind that some are scarce and found in very few places on Earth. What common items can be recycled, to reduce the need to find more of the earth resources that they are made from?