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Week 3 - Gems & Minerals

Welcome to today's word list.

Word List Voice: Male

- 1. Turquoise
- 2. Sapphire
- 3. Topaz
- 4. Lapis Lazuli
- 5. Silver

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Short Passage Voice: Female, Accent

Rocks and stones are naturally occurring solids made up of minerals.

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Welcome to today's long passage.

Long Passage Voice: Female

Silver is one of the most famous precious metals, and has been used for ornamental purposes since the earliest of times. Most silver is extracted from silver ores, but considerable amounts are mined from Native Silver. Silver can be found pure, but is usually mixed with small amounts of gold, arsenic, and antimony. Silver is a very resistant mineral. It does not dissolve in most solvents, and won't react to oxygen or water. However, it has a detrimental reaction to sulfur and sulfides, which causes it to tarnish on exposed surfaces. Hydrogen sulfide is found in the atmosphere in small quantities, and when silver is exposed to normal air it reacts to the hydrogen sulfide, causing the tarnish.

Silver is very malleable and ductile, and is very easy to work with. However, it is poorly resistant to pressure and easily bends. For this reason, silver is alloyed with other metals to increase its toughness and durability. Silver jewelry, ornaments, and silverware are traditionally made from Sterling Silver. Sterling Silver is an alloy composed of 92.5% silver and the remainder 7.5% other metals, usually copper. Items made from Sterling Silver are usually engraved with the letters 925, which indicates that it is 92.5% silver. Sterling Silver is harder and more durable than pure Silver.



Sterling Silver jewelry is sometimes plated with an extremely thin layer of pure silver to provide an extra shine. Vermeil, which is used in jewelry, is Sterling Silver coated with a thin layer of Gold or occasionally Platinum. It is an inexpensive alternative to those valuable metals it is coated with.

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