What is the difference between a mineral and a rock?







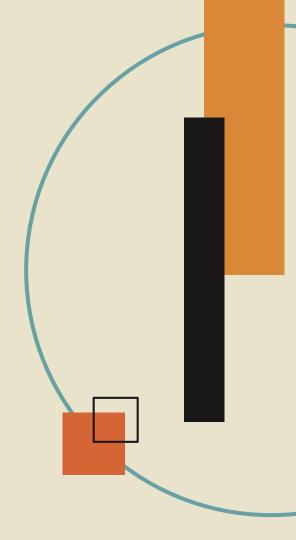






Gemstones

"People have treasured gems for many reasons throughout history. Some of these reasons include the use of gems as beautiful decorative ornaments, religious symbols, and amulets and good-luck charms. Gems have also been used for barter and medicinal purposes. Gems have even been used as investments by some people. For others, gems have been used to display wealth, status, and power."



<u>Source</u>

Around 200 Natural gemstones around the world

Classifications of Gemstones



Precious

Diamonds

Rubies

Sapphires

Emeralds

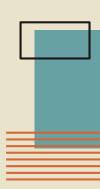


Semi-Precious

Everything else



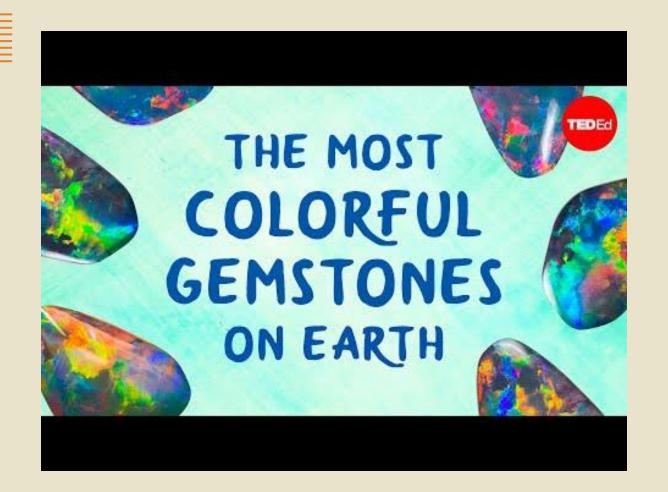








What creates these awesome minerals?













Research Into Gemstones



Science

The science behind gemstones



Gemstones by a great website





Information

More information on a number of gemstones

Locations

Formations and locations of gemstones



History of Gemstones



General

The general history of gemstones



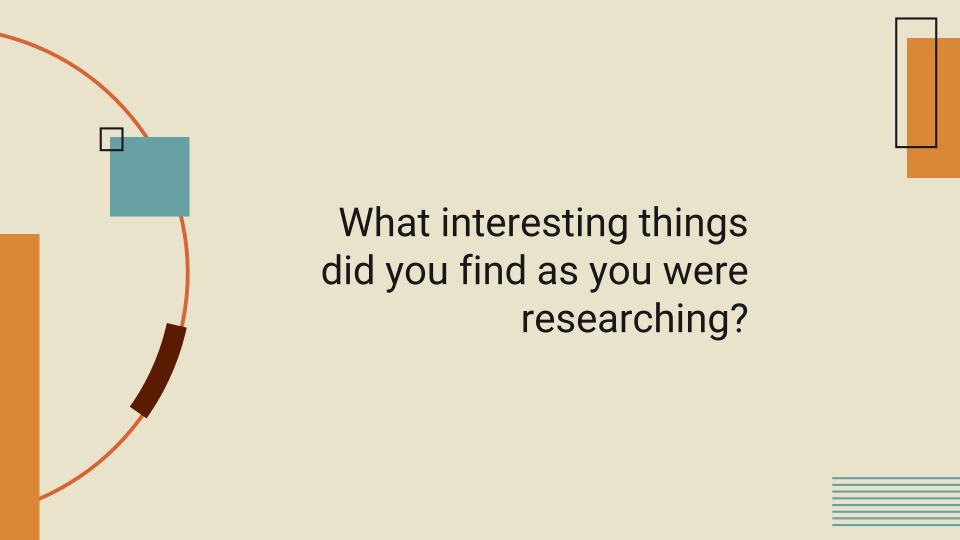
Specific

Some specific examples of gemstones throughout history

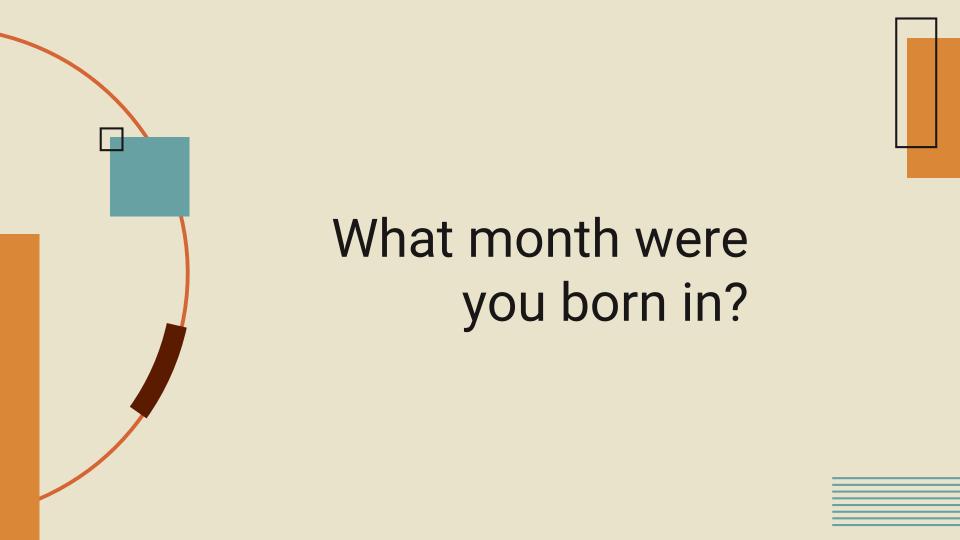


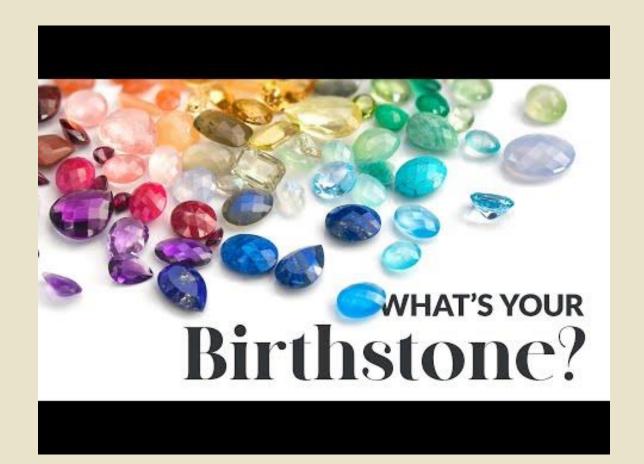
By Date

How gemstones were found and used categorized by date









Birthstones Jan - Jun



Garnet



February

Amethyst



March

Aquamarine



April

Diamond



May

Emerald



June

Pearl

Birthstones July - Dec



July

Ruby



August

Peridot



September

Sapphire



October

Opal



November

Yellow Topaz

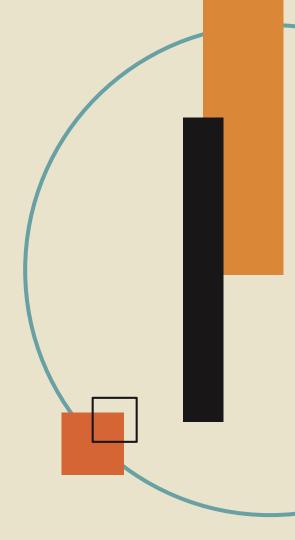


December

Turquoise

Birthstones

- 1. History of birthstones here
- 2. Information on birthstones here
- 3. Birthstones by months here
- 4. Modern by traditional <u>here</u>
- 5. In-depth by month <u>here</u>





Now complete your Google Classroom question!

Most interesting thing

Websites about gemstones

- https://www.gempundit.com/gemstones
- https://www.gia.edu/gem-encyclopedia
- https://geology.com/gemstones/
- https://nature.berkeley.edu/classes/eps2/wisc/Lect3.html
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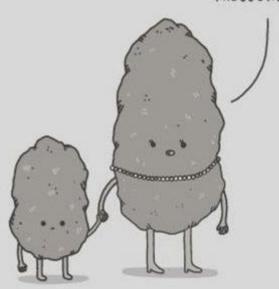
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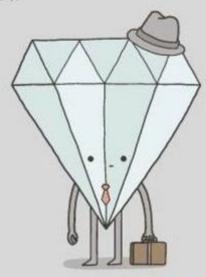
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Mining

As we have talked about, mining can be super destructive to the land AND smuggling and cartels can lead to a bad human element as well.



Solution - Make gems in a lab!



Natural Diamonds



A natural diamond is made from carbon and is the hardest natural known thing on man.



Effects On The Earth 1ct of mined diamonds disrupt nearly 100 sqft of land & produces around 6000 lbs of mineral waste.



Effects On People
All in all, mined diamonds result in 1 injury for every 1,000 workers annually.



price(per carat): Mined is expensive.



Lab Grown Diamonds



A lab created diamond is a diamond made of the same material as natural diamonds: pure carbon, crystallized in an isotropic 3D form.



Effects On The Earth
let of lab-grown diamonds disrupt

just 0.07 sqft of land & produces only 1 lbs of mineral waste.



Effects On People

while lab-grown diamonds result in zero.



price(per carat):

Lab-grown is 40-50% cheaper than mined diamonds.







Can you tell the difference?





Man-Made Gemstones



<u>History</u>

Differences between all terms



History of making synthetic gems

Processes 03

Methods

Discussion on methods used to create gemstones

Introduction to processes used to make gemstones

