



5 landforms created by wave erosion

Explain how the waves cause erosion of the coasts. Describe features formed by wave deposition. Identify ways to protect the coasts from wave erosion. Barrier island breakwater sand groin drifting from the sea beach sea arch spit Have you ever stoppedted on a sandy ocean beach and let the waves wash on your feet? If you have, then you probably felt the sand being dragged under your feet by the protruding waves. This is an example of wave erosion. What are waves? Why do they cause erosion? And what about the sand that the waves are the way energy travels through matter. Ocean waves are energy that travels through the water. They form when the wind blows over the surface of the ocean. Wind power is transferred to the sea surface. Then the energy is transported through the water. They hit the rocks and anything else they hit. Ocean waves transfer energy from the wind through the water. This gives the waves the energy to erode the shore. Three factors determine the size of ocean waves: Wind speed. The time the wind blows. The distance the wind blows. in ocean water acts as sandpaper. Over time, they erode the shore. The larger the waves and the more sediments they carry, the more erosion by waves can create unique earth shapes of wave erosion. They create a vertical wall of exposed layers of rock. Sea arches form when waves erode both sides of a cliff. They create a hole in the cliff. Marine piles form when waves erode the top of a sea arche. This leaves behind rock pillars. For millions of years, wave erosion can create wave-cut cliffs (A), sea arches (B), or piles of sea (C). Deposition of wavesEventually, sediment in ocean water is deposited. Deposition occurs where waves and other ocean movements slow down. Smaller particles, such as silt and clay, are deposited away from the coast. This is where the waves and other movements are strongest. Beachesin relatively quiet areas along a waves can deposit sand. The sand forms a beach, like the one in the figure below. Many beaches include pieces of rock and shell. You can see a close-up photo of the beach deposits usually consist of small pieces of rock and shell, as well as sand. Longshore DriftSodas waves hit the shore at an angle. This causes drifting from the coast. The drift of the coast moves sediment along the shore. The sediment is moved by the beach by a Wave. The water moves directly along the beach with it. The sediment is collected again by a wave that is entering an angle. This movement is shown in the following link. 20educator'sl%20guide%20to%20folly%20beach/guide/driftanimation.htm.Longshore drift transports sand and rock particles along a coast. The earth forms deposited by WavesDeposits from the long coast drift can form a spit. A spit is a ridge of sand that extends far from the shore. The end of the spit can be hooked towards the calmer waters near the coast. You can see a spit in the figure below. Spit from space. Farewell Spit in New Zealand is clearly visible from space. This photo was taken by an astronaut orbiting Earth. Waves can also deposit sediments to form sandbars and barrier islands. You can see examples of these terrain shapes in the following figure. Ground shapes deposited by waves. These forms of land were deposited by waves. (A) Sandbars connect the small islands of this beach in Thailand. (B) A barrier island is a long, narrow island. It forms when sand is deposited by waves parallel to a coast. It develops from a sandbar that has accumulated enough to break through the waterProtecting ShorelinesShores are attractive places to live and vacation. But development on the coast is at risk of wave damage. Wave erosion threatens many houses and beaches in the ocean. This is especially true during storms, when waves can be much larger than normal. BreakwaterWaterwaters debarrier provide natural protection to the coasts. Storm waves hit the barrier island before reaching the coast. People also build artificial barriers, called spigons. Breakwater in the following figure. This consists of rocks and concrete. It runs parallel to the coast like a barrier island. A breakwater is an artificial barriers, called spigons. barrier island. How do you help protect the coast? GroinsThe coastal drift can erode the sediment of a beach. To prevent this from happening, people can build a series of English. A groin is a wall of rocks or concrete protruding into the ocean perpendicular to the shore. Prevents waves from moving along the beach. This stops the sand on the side of the upper current and reduces beach erosion. You can see how the English ones work in the figure below. A groin is built perpendicular to the coast. The sand accumulates on the current side. pier can be seen in the distance. Lesson SummaryThe water of the waves is energy that travels through the water. They are mainly caused by the wind blowing over the water. Sediment in ocean water acts as sandpaper. Over time, it erodes the shore. You can create unique earth shapes, such as wave-cut cliffs, sea arches, and sea stacks. Deposits on the waves include beaches. They can change along the coast due to the coast due to the coast due to the coast of the shore. You can create unique earth shapes, such as wave-cut cliffs, sea arches, and sea stacks. protect the coast as barrier islands. English are structures that help prevent drift from the coast from eroding a beach. Lesson Review QuestionsReamada 1. What are waves? 2. How do ocean waves cause erosion? 3. Identify three types of earth shapes created by wave erosion. 4. What is a spit? How does it form? Apply Concepts 5. Create a diagram to illustrate the concept of long earth drift. Think critically 6. Why are the smallest particles on a beach usually sandy? 7. Explain how a barrier island helps protect the shores. Points to consider air movement, such as water movement, cause erosion. The moving air is called wind. How does wind cause erosion? Does the wind carry particles in the same way as moving water? What forms of land are deposited by the wind? In order to continue enjoying our site, we ask you to confirm your identity as a human. Thank you very much for your cooperation. Coastal forms created by erosion include headwaters, bays and cliffs. Land forms created by the deposition include spits, marshes and beaches. The earth forms of erosion include headboards, bays, caves, arches, piles, plugs and platforms cut into waves. There are also forms of deposit land, such as beaches, spits and bars. Earth forms of wave erosion and the load of the... Have you encountered a content error? Tell

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