Instructions: Create a plan for a comic strip that shows the adventures of a mineral crystal as it moves from rock to rock. Create your mineral character and give him/her a name. Illustrate each cartoon panel to show a different rock and/or process and add your character. Use dialogue balloons or a narration strip underneath to tell the story of his/her travels.

Frame 1
- Rock? Granite
- Weathering by ice

Frame 2
- Rock? Sediments
- Erosion by water

Frame 3
- Rock? Sediment
- Deposition by water

Frame 4
- Rock? Sediment
- Compaction by gravity

Frame 5
- Rock? Sediment
- Cementation

Frame 6
- Rock? Shale
- Process? Pressure

Frame 7
- Rock? Slate
- Process? Heat melting

Frame 8
- Rock? Obsidian
- Process? Cooling

Frame 9
- Rock?
- Process?

Frame 10
- Rock?
- Process?

Hi I’m Sandy and I’m a mineral in a piece of granite which is an igneous rock. Ice breaks me into smaller pieces. That’s weathering.

Over time our rock eroded and we became sediments carried by water.

My friends and I experience deposition at the bottom of the lake.

The weight of all that water and the other sediments changed me! Now I live in this shale and everywhere I look, I see fossils. I guess we should have had a clam bake! Hahahaha!!!

Over time we were buried and pressured and then this annoying magma had to butt and add heat. All of us crystals started changing shape and POOF… we metamorphasized into SLATE!