

Minerals

1. You are trying to determine whether a sample is a mineral. Which of these characteristics might mean the sample is a mineral?
 - A. It is a living thing.
 - B. It exists in a liquid state.
 - C. It is a natural substance.
 - D. It has a varying chemical makeup.
2. Which question is least useful to ask if you want to identify a mineral?
 - A. What color is the mineral?
 - B. What color is the mineral's streak?
 - C. How hard is the mineral?
 - D. What are the mineral's special properties?
3. The way a mineral reflects light is called its
 - A. texture.
 - B. cleavage.
 - C. luster.
 - D. streak.
4. Which is the hardest mineral on the Mohs scale?
 - A. talc
 - B. fluorite
 - C. quartz
 - D. diamond