



INVESTIGATING ETYMOLOGY

EXAMPLE GRAPHIC ORGANIZER

Word	Definition	Word Origin	Use	Related Words
core	the central or most essential part of anything	Old French, <i>coeur</i> "core of fruit" from Latin. <i>cor</i> "heart"	The Earth's center has a very high temperature and high pressure.	essence, heart, gist, center
mantle	the portion of the earth between the crust and the core	Old English, <i>mentel</i> "loose, sleeveless cloak," from Latin <i>mantellum</i> "cloak,"	The mantle is the area that has most of the Earth's mass.	veil, cover, blanket, screen, cloak
magma	molten material beneath the Earth's crust	Middle English, <i>dregs</i> , from Latin, <i>magma</i> "dregs of an ointment,"	Magma that spills out of the Earth is called lava.	magmatic, magmas
sediment	matter that has been deposited by some natural process	French, <i>Sediment</i> , from Latin <i>sedimentum</i> "a settling, sinking down,	Small particles of gravel, sand, and mud.	sedimentous, settle
erosion	the gradual wearing away of land surface materials	Latin, <i>erodere</i> , "gnaw away"	Water, wind, and ice cause erosion.	erode, dissolution, abrasion