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Q

In the figures in the textbooks, the surface of the earth is written as "crust" or "lithosphere". How are these different from "plates"?

A

The surface of the earth is classified as "**crust**" according to the difference in substances, and "**Lithosphere**" according to the ease of flow. "Lithosphere" refers to the cold and hard part of the earth's surface, divided into more than a dozen "plates" and moving on the soft "asthenosphere".

