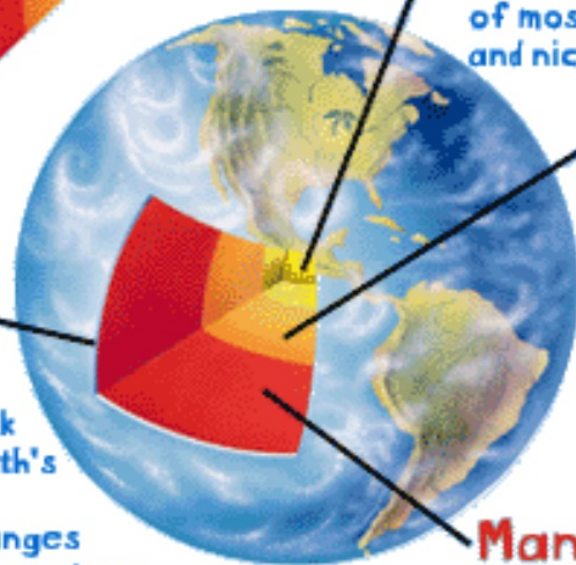


Crust

This is the thin, rocky layer we think of as the Earth's surface. Its thickness changes – from 80 kilometers (50 miles) to 5 kilometers (3 miles).



Inner Core

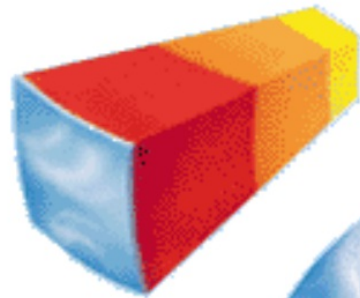
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Outer Core

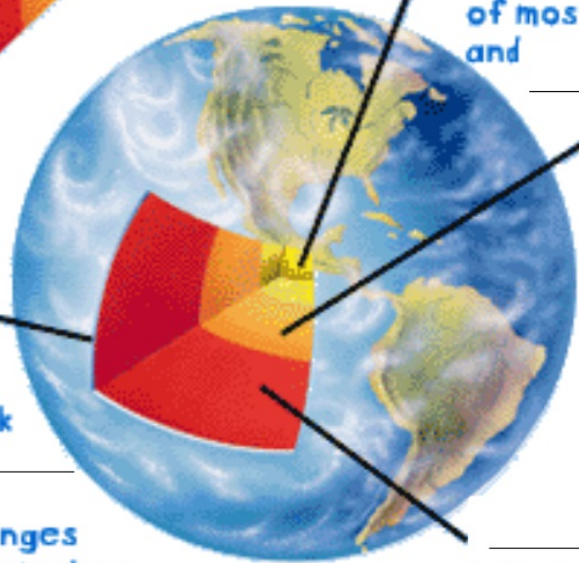
This layer is also made of mostly iron and nickel, but here the metals are melted into a very hot liquid. This hot liquid forms a layer that moves around the inner core.

Mantle

This layer is rock-hard, but it actually flows around the outer core, moving about as slowly as your fingernails grow.



This is the thin, rocky layer we think of as the _____ . Its thickness changes – from 80 kilometers (50 miles) to 5 kilometers (3 miles).



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