

# lithosphere *(lith-o-sphere)*

## Definition

n. the rigid outer part of the earth, consisting of the crust and upper mantle, which is divided into tectonic plates.

## Example Sentence

Did you know that the outer crust of the earth is called the **lithosphere**?

## More Example Sentences

Scientists study the **lithosphere** to learn about the Earth's structure and tectonic activity.

## Synonyms

earth's crust; crust; tectonic plates

## Antonyms

earth's core

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