

**Chapter 2 Minerals**

**WordWise**

Use the clues below to help you write the vocabulary terms from the chapter in the blanks. Then find and circle the terms in the puzzle. The terms may occur vertically, horizontally, or diagonally.

V E M A S S N U M B E R U N  
 C D Y S X T H E I M G N G I  
 W M E J H S P A Q X Z I O S  
 M I N E R A L S R E U Y J O  
 S C E H V T H Q N D A E I T  
 A X R Y P O B D T C N S L O  
 L I G R A M C U G P L E S P  
 B A Y C S I L I C A T E S E  
 T K L F U C L E A V A G E S  
 M I E G X N T E K P H T E P  
 A D V U L U S T E R Z P J B  
 C H E L E M E N T D S S T X  
 E X L M N B A U S S V H A L  
 Z P S B C E W R T N O H I A  
 R G C D Q R J H S M F L K P

**Clues**

- How light is reflected from the surface of a mineral
- Number of protons in an atom of an element
- Atoms of the same element having different numbers of neutrons
- Measure of how a mineral resists scratching
- Substance that cannot be broken down into simpler substances
- Examples include quartz, copper, fluorite, and talc
- Regions where electrons are located
- Most common group of minerals on Earth
- Tendency of a mineral to break along flat, even surfaces
- Sum of protons and neutrons in the nucleus of an atom

**Hidden Words**

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