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“EROSION”

STUDENT ORGANIZER ANSWER KEY

1. What is one factor which makes rocks more or less vulnerable to erosion? (*Their softness or porosity.*)
2. The cause of erosion described here is rock broken apart by (*Freezing water*), which is a process of (*Mechanical*) weathering..
3. In which environment would wind erosion be most pronounced? (circle one)
 - a. Rain forest
 - b. Desert
 - c. Mountain range
4. The erosion on the left is the result of what type of weathering? (*Chemical.*)
5. How does agriculture lead to increased erosion? (*Vegetation—which helps hold soil in place-- is removed.*)
6. In what way do the large rocks lining the riverbank protect it from erosion? (*They are less likely to be washed away by the river’s current than the river’s usual soil banks.*)
7. The sand fences on a beach are a defense against what type of erosion? (*Wind.*)