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**CHAPTER NAME : INSIDE THE EARTH (CH.-2 GEO)**

**Topic : materials of the earth's crust**

**ROCKS.**

All solid materials of the earth's crust whether hard or soft that make up the earth's crust are called rocks .

They are different composition sizes, texture and colours .

They are made up of one or more minerals

They do not have a definite chemical composition

**MINERALS.**

***MINERALS* ARE SUBSTANCES WHICH OCCUR IN ROCKS .**

**There main characteristics are as follows .**

- **They have a definite chemical composition each mineral contains two or more simple substances called elements .**
- **They provide us metals and chemicals**
- **They are non - living solid substances .**
- **They are divided into metallic and nonmetallic minerals .**

***Metallic minerals* : iron, gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc etc.**

**Non – *Metallic minerals* : sulphur, coal, petroleum salt clay etc.**

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