

The Planet Earth

Our planet was formed about 4500 million years ago.

Oceans cover seven-tenths of the earth's surface. The air surrounding the earth is called the atmosphere. The water on the surface is called the hydrosphere. The soil and earth area called the lithosphere.

Inside the Earth

If you could look inside the earth you would see the different layers inside. The surface is called the crust. The crust is much thicker in some parts. Where this occurs, land is created. Below this are the upper and lower mantles. These are made of rock which is like very hot, thick syrup. At the centre of the earth is the core. This is made of very hot, liquid metal. It is divided into inner and outer layers. The crust is much cooler and thinner than the other layers.

Using the text above, label the following diagram.

