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## 前　　言

本书是井巷工程类英语注释读物，是专门为帮助具有一般英语基础的读者阅读专业英语书籍和有关技术资料而编写的。书中文章选自英美两国出版的专业著作和国际会议学术报告文件，都是介绍井巷工程方面的基本知识。全书约有二千余个专业词汇。各篇选文都附有词汇表、词组及汉语注释。汉语注释的重点是帮助读者分析和理解较复杂的语法和特殊句型。为了便于读者在自学时正确理解原文，书后附有译文。译文的文字尽量照顾了原文结构，以利对照，这对初学专业英语的读者是颇有裨益的。

本书可供煤炭、冶金、建材、化工等矿业工程技术人员和有关院校师生参考。

书中不妥之处，请读者批评指正。

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# GEOLOGY

## 1. GEOLOGY AND GEOLOGIC TIME

The study of the Earth is called geology. This science attempts to explain the origin of the earth and its relation to the heavenly bodies; it attempts to explain the reason for the atmosphere, the waters which flow on or cover parts of the earth and the rocks and minerals which form the land surfaces; and it attempts to reconstruct the history of life, going back beyond the age of man and giving us the story of the animals that first roamed the earth and telling us how they lived.<sup>①</sup>

Historical geology is a review of the events that have occurred on the earth in past ages. It includes studies of the distribution of the land and sea areas at various times , the upbuilding and erosion of the continents and mountain ranges, the periods of special activity of subsurface pools of molten rock that resulted in igneous intrusions of the earth's crust or in volcanic activity, the deposition of material by the great erosive agencies, and the growth and extinction of the ever-changing plants and animals that played their appointed roles on earth's

stage and then disappeared forever.<sup>②</sup>

One of the more interesting portions of historical geology is that dealing with geologic time.<sup>③</sup> The vast stretch of geologic time has been divided by geologists into divisions and subdivisions, each with certain identifying characteristics in the rocks, life or crustal movements.<sup>④</sup> Table 1 is a "Geologic Time Table". The relation between the time scale and the rock scale is as follows:

Time Scale	Rock Scale
Era	Group
Period	System
Epoch	Series
Age	Stage or Formation

**TABLE 1**                                   **GEOLOGIC TIME TABLE**

Era	Period	Epoch	Dates, Millions of Years in the past
Cenozoic  Kz	Quaternary	Recent Qn	2-3
	Q	Pleistocene Qp	
	Tertiary R	Upper Tertiary N	Pliocene N <sub>2</sub> Miocene N <sub>1</sub>
		Lower Tertiary E	Oligocene E <sub>5</sub> Eocene E <sub>4</sub> Paleocene E <sub>1</sub>

TABLE 1

GEOLOGIC TIME TABLE (*Continued*)

Era	Period	Epoch	Dates, Millions of Years in the past
Mesozoic Mz	Cretaceous K	Upper Cretaceous K <sub>2</sub> Lower Cretaceous K <sub>1</sub>	80
	Jurassic J	Upper Jurassic J <sub>3</sub> Middle Jurassic J <sub>2</sub> Lower Jurassic J <sub>1</sub>	140
	Triassic T	Upper Triassic T <sub>3</sub> Middle Triassic T <sub>2</sub> Lower Triassic T <sub>1</sub>	195
	Upper Paleozoic Pz <sub>2</sub>	Permian P	230
		Upper Permian P <sub>2</sub> Lower Permian P <sub>1</sub>	270
		Carboniferous C	320
	Lower Paleozoic Pz <sub>1</sub>	Devonian D	375
		Upper Devonian D <sub>3</sub> Middle Devonian D <sub>2</sub> Lower Devonian D <sub>1</sub>	440
		Silurian S	500
		Upper Silurian S <sub>3</sub> Middle Silurian S <sub>2</sub> Lower Silurian S <sub>1</sub>	600 ±
		Ordovician O	
		Upper Ordovician O <sub>3</sub> Middle Ordovician O <sub>2</sub> Lower Ordovician O <sub>1</sub>	
		Cambrian E	
		Upper Cambrian E <sub>3</sub> Middle Cambrian E <sub>2</sub> Lower Cambrian E <sub>1</sub>	

TABLE 1 GEOLOGIC TIME TABLE (*Continued*)

Era		Period	Epoch	Dates, Millions of Years in the past
proterozoic Pt	Upper Protero- zoic Pt <sub>2</sub>	Sinian Z	Upper Sinian Z <sub>3</sub>	600 ±
			Middle Sinian Z <sub>2</sub>	
			Lower Sinian Z <sub>1</sub>	1700 ±
Lower Proterozoic Pt <sub>1</sub>				2050 ±
Archean Ar	Upper Archean Ar <sub>2</sub>			2400-2500
	Lower Archean Ar <sub>1</sub>			2700
Age of meteorites and the earth				4500 ±

## NEW WORDS 词 汇

**geology** [dʒi'ɔlədʒi] *n.* 地质学  
**geologic** [dʒi'e'lɔdʒik] *a.* 地质的  
**geologic time** [dʒi'e'lɔdʒik taim]  
*n.* 地质年代  
**attempt to** [ə'tempt tə] *v.t.* 试图  
**heavenly bodies** ['hevnlɪ bɒdɪz]  
*n.* 天体  
**atmosphere** ['ætməsfɪə] *n.* 大气  
**mineral** ['mɪnərəl] *n.* 矿物  
**reconstruct** ['ri:kənstrʌkt] *v.t.*  
 (1) 描述, 设想 (2) 重建, 使再现  
**roam** [roum] *v.i.* 漫游, 游动

**historical** [his'tɔrikəl] *a.* 历史的  
**historical geology** [his'tɔrikəl dʒi'ɔlədʒi] *n.* 地史学, 历史地质学  
**upbuild** [ʌp'bild] *v.t.* 建立  
**erosion** [i'rəʊʒən] *n.* 侵蚀, 腐蚀  
**continent** ['kɔntinənt] *n.* 大陆  
**mountain range** ['mauntin reindʒ]  
*n.* 山脉  
**subsurface** ['sʌbsə:fɪs] *a.* 地表下的, 地下的

**pool** [pu:l] *n.* 坑潭  
**melt** [melt], **melted** ['meltid],  
**molten** ['moulten] *v.t. & v.i.*  
 融化, 使融化  
**igneous** ['igniəs] *a.* 火成的  
**intrusion** [in'tru:ʒən] *n.* 入侵  
**crust** [krəst] *n.* 地壳  
**volcanic** [vɔ:l'kænik] *a.* 火山的  
**deposition** [,depə'ziʃən] *n.* 沉积, 沉积物  
**erosive** [i'rəʊsiv] *a.* 侵蚀的, 腐蚀的  
**disappear** [,dɪsə'piə] *v.i.* 不见, 消失  
**stretch** [stretʃ] *n.* 伸长  
**subdivision** ['sʌbdɪ'viziən] *n.* 由再分分成的部分  
**crustal movement** ['krəstl'mu:vment] *n.* 地壳运动  
**time scale** [taim skeil] *n.* 时代单位, 地质年代等级  
**rock scale** [rok skeil] *n.* 岩层单位, 岩层等级  
**era** ['iərə] *n.* 代  
**period** ['piəriəd] *n.* 纪  
**epoch** ['i:pək] *n.* 世  
**age** [eɪdʒ] *n.* 期  
**group** [gru:p] *n.* 界  
**system** ['sistəm] *n.* 系  
**series** ['siəri:z] (单复同) *n.* 统  
**stage** [steidʒ] *n.* 阶  
**formation** [fɔ:m'eifən] *n.* 阶  
**Archean Era(Ar)** [a:k'i:ən 'iərə] *n.* 太古代  
**Upper Archean Era (Ar<sub>2</sub>)** ['A:pə a:k'i:ən 'iərə] *n.* 晚太古代  
**Lower Archean Era(Ar<sub>1</sub>)** ['louə a:k'i:ən 'iərə] *n.* 早太古代

**Proterozoic Era (Pt)** [,proutərə-'zoik 'iərə] *n.* 元古代  
**Upper Proterozoic Era (Pt<sub>2</sub>)** ['ʌpə proutərə-'zoik 'iərə] *n.* 晚元古代  
**Lower Proterozoic Era (Pt<sub>1</sub>)** ['louə proutərə-'zoik 'iərə] *n.* 早元古代  
**Paleozoic Era (Pz)** [,pæliə'zoik 'iərə] *n.* 古生代  
**Upper Paleozoic Era(Pz<sub>2</sub>)** ['ʌpə pæliə'zoik 'iərə] *n.* 晚古生代  
**Lower Paleozoic Era (Pz<sub>1</sub>)** ['louə pæliə'zoik 'iərə] *n.* 早古生代  
**Mesozoic Era (Mz)** [,meziə'zoik 'iərə] *n.* 中生代  
**Cenozoic Era (Kz)** [,si:nə'zoik 'iərə] *n.* 新生代  
**Sinian Period (Z)** ['siniən 'piəriəd] *n.* 震旦纪  
**Cambrian Period (C)** [,kæmbriən 'piəriəd] *n.* 寒武纪  
**Ordovician Period (O)** [,ɔ:də'veiən 'piəriəd] *n.* 奥陶纪  
**Silurian Period (S)** [saɪ'ljuəriən 'piəriəd] *n.* 志留纪  
**Devonian Period(D)** [de'vounjən 'piəriəd] *n.* 泥盆纪  
**Carboniferous Period (C)** [,ka:bə'nifərəs 'piəriəd] *n.* 石炭纪  
**Permian Period (P)** [,pe:mɪən 'piəriəd] *n.* 二叠纪  
**Triassic Period (T)** [trai'əsik 'piəriəd] *n.* 三叠纪  
**Jurassic Period(J)** [dʒuə'ræsik 'piəriəd] *n.* 侏罗纪  
**Cretaceous Period(K)** [kri'teisəs 'piəriəd] *n.* 白垩纪

<b>'piəriəd] n.</b> 白垩纪	<b>['midl sai'ljuəriən 'i:pok] n.</b> 中志留世
<b>Tertiary Period (R)</b> ['tə:səri 'piəriəd] n. 第三纪	<b>Lower Silurian Epoch (S<sub>1</sub>)</b> ['louə sai'ljuəriən 'i:pok] n. 早志留世
<b>Upper Tertiary Period(N)</b> ['ʌpə 'tə:səri 'piəriəd] n. 晚第三纪	<b>Upper Devonian Epoch (D<sub>3</sub>)</b> ['ʌpə de'vounjən 'i:pok] n. 晚泥盆世
<b>Lower Tertiary Period (E)</b> ['louə 'tə:səri 'piəriəd] n. 早 第三纪	<b>Middle Devonian Epoch (D<sub>2</sub>)</b> ['midl de'vunjən 'i:pok] n. 中泥盆世
<b>Quaternary Period (Q)</b> ['kwɔ: tə:nəri 'piəriəd] n. 第四纪	<b>Lower Devonian Epoch (D<sub>1</sub>)</b> ['louə de'vounjən 'i:pok] n. 早泥盆世
<b>Upper Sinian Epoch (Z<sub>3</sub>)</b> ['ʌpə 'siniən 'i:pok] n. 晚震旦世	<b>Upper Carboniferous Epoch(C<sub>3</sub>)</b> ['ʌpə ,ka:bə'nifərəs 'i:pok] n. 晚石炭世
<b>Middle Sinian Epoch (Z<sub>2</sub>)</b> ['midl 'siniən 'i:pok] n. 中震 旦世	<b>Middle Carboniferous Epoch (C<sub>2</sub>)</b> ['midl ,ka:bə'nifərəs 'i:pok] n. 中石炭世
<b>Lower Sinian Epoch(Z<sub>1</sub>)</b> ['louə 'siniən 'i:pok] n. 早震旦世	<b>Lower Carboniferous Epoch(C<sub>1</sub>)</b> ['louə ,ka:bə'nifərəs 'i:pok] n. 早石炭世
<b>Upper Cambrian Epoch (E<sub>3</sub>)</b> ['ʌpə 'kæmbriən 'i:pok] n. 晚 寒武世	<b>Upper Permian Epoch(P<sub>2</sub>)</b> ['ʌpə 'pə:mien 'i:pok] n. 晚二叠世
<b>Middle Cambrian Epoch (E<sub>2</sub>)</b> ['midl 'kæmbriən 'i:pok] n. 中寒武世	<b>Lower Permian Epoch (P<sub>1</sub>)</b> ['louə 'pə:mien 'i:pok] n. 早 二叠世
<b>Lower Cambrian Epoch (E<sub>1</sub>)</b> ['louə 'kæmbriən 'i:pok] n. 早寒武世	<b>Upper Triassic Epoch(T<sub>3</sub>)</b> ['ʌpə trai'æsik 'i:pok] n. 晚三叠世
<b>Upper Ordovician Epoch (O<sub>3</sub>)</b> ['ʌpə ,ɔ:də'veiʃən 'i:pok] n. 晚 奥陶世	<b>Middle Triassic Epoch (T<sub>2</sub>)</b> ['midl trai'æsik 'i:pok] n. 中 三叠世
<b>Middle Ordovician Epoch (O<sub>2</sub>)</b> ['midl ,ɔ:də'veiʃən 'i:pok] n. 中 奥陶世	<b>Lower Triassic Epoch (T<sub>1</sub>)</b> ['louə trai'æsik 'i:pok] n. 早三 叠世
<b>Lower Ordovician Epoch (O<sub>1</sub>)</b> ['louə ,ɔ:də'veiʃən 'i:pok] n. 早 奥陶世	<b>Upper Jurassic Epoch(J<sub>3</sub>)</b> ['ʌpə dʒue'ræsik 'i:pok] n. 晚侏罗世
<b>Upper Silurian Epoch(S<sub>3</sub>)</b> ['ʌpə sai'ljuəriən 'i:pok] n. 晚志留世	
<b>Middle Silurian Epoch (S<sub>2</sub>)</b>	

<b>Middle Jurassic Epoch (J<sub>2</sub>)</b>	[ˈmidl dʒʊərəsɪk ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i>	ousi:n ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i> 渐新世
中侏罗世		'i:pək] <i>n.</i> 始新世
<b>Lower Jurassic Epoch (J<sub>1</sub>)</b>	[ˈləʊər dʒʊərəsɪk ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i>	<b>Paleocene Epoch (E<sub>1</sub>)</b> ['pæliəsɪ:n ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i> 古新世
早侏罗世		<b>Pliocene Epoch (N<sub>2</sub>)</b> ['plaiəsɪ:n ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i> 上新世
<b>Upper Cretaceous Epoch (K<sub>2</sub>)</b>	[ˈʌpə kri'teɪʃəs ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i> 晚白垩世	<b>Miocene Epoch (N<sub>1</sub>)</b> ['maɪəsɪ:n ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i> 中新世
<b>Lower Cretaceous Epoch (K<sub>1</sub>)</b>	[ˈlouər kri'teɪʃəs ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i> 早白垩世	<b>Recent Epoch (Qn)</b> ['ri:snt ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i> 全新世
<b>Oligocene Epoch (E<sub>2</sub>)</b>	[ɔ:lɪgə'seɪn ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i>	<b>Pleistocene Epoch (Qp)</b> ['plaɪs-təʊsɪ:n ˈi:pək] <i>n.</i> 更新世

## PHRASES AND EXPRESSIONS 词 组

*result in* 结果, 导致

*deal with* 论述, 处理

*play the role of* 起, 作用

## NOTES 课 文 注 释

1. 本句为主从并列复合句。全句由三个并列分句组成，其间由分号分开。This science attempts...bodies 为第一分句。it attempts to explain...the land surface, 为第二并列分句。the atmosphere, the waters, and the rocks and minerals 均为介词 for 的宾语。该介词短语中包含两个定语从句：which flow on or cover parts of the earth, 修饰 waters; which form the land surface 修饰 rocks and minerals. it attempts to reconstruct the ... lived 为第三分句。该分句包含三个作状语的并列分词短语，going back...man, giving us...earth, telling...lived. 第二个分词短语还包含一个定语从句 that first roamed the earth, 修饰 animals. 第三个分词短语中 how they lived 为宾语从句做 telling 的宾语。
  2. It includes studies of 后跟五个并列宾语：  
the distribution...times;  
the upbuilding and erosion...ranges;  
the periods...activity;  
the deposition...agencies;  
and the growth...forever.
- 其中有两个子句带有定语从句，即：(1) that resulted in igneous intru-

sions of the earth's crust or in volcanic activity, 修饰 special activity of subsurface pools of molten rock; (2) that played their appointed roles on earth's stage and then disappeared forever, 修饰 plants and animals.

3. that 为代词做表语, 指代前面的 one 以避免重复。dealing with...time 为分词短语做后置定语。可译为“描述”, “处理”。
4. each with=each division (or subdivision) is with its ... movement. 在这里可视为独立结构。

## 2. ROCKS OF THE EARTH'S CRUST

The three great classes of rocks of the earth's crust are; Igneous, solidified from fusion; Sedimentary, deposited in water or air; Metamorphic, recrystallized or otherwise altered igneous and sedimentary rocks, such that their original character has been obscured.<sup>①</sup> Igneous rocks are believed to have been the predecessors and source of all others.<sup>②</sup>

The processes producing these three classes of rocks have been going on for millions of years. It is only natural to expect that all of the original igneous crust would have disappeared long ago; also, that sedimentary and metamorphic rocks would be found most abundantly, with igneous rocks interspersed throughout due to molten intrusions of recent ages.<sup>③</sup> Such is the case, regardless of what portion of the earth is inspected.<sup>④</sup> Following is a tabulation (Table 2) showing the various class of rocks

and the material from which they were formed: ⑤

TABLE 2

Sediments	Compacted Strata(Rock)	Metamorphic Rocks
Gravel	Conglomerate	Gneiss and various schists
Sand	Sandstone	Quartzite and various schists
Silt and Clay	Shale	Slate and various schists
Lime deposits	Limestone	Marble and various schists

  

Igneous Rocks	Metamorphic Rocks
Coarse-grained feldspars, such as granite, etc.	Gneiss
Fine-grained feldspars, such as felsite, tuffs, etc.	Slate and schists
Ferro-magnesian rocks, such as dolerite and basalt	Hornblende schists, various other schists, and serpentine

The sedimentary rocks associated with coal beds belong to one or more of the four classes of compacted strata given in Table 2. When certain sediments were deposited to form limestone or sandstone, we could hardly expect them to consist of pure lime deposits or pure sand. there would be some mixing of sediments. As a result, we find limestones containing small amounts of sand, and sandstones containing small amounts of lime carbonate, etc. A rock belonging to any one of the four main classes which, in addition, contains sand is classed