

Matching: Review of Relative Dating Principles

Directions: Match each description below with one of the terms listed.

	Description	Term Choices
1	rocks otherwise similar but separated by a valley are the same	horizontality
2	fragments within a rock are older than the host rock	superposition
3	a volcanic dike or fault is younger than the rock it cuts through	faunal succession
4	fossils appear in rock strata in chronological order	cross-cutting
5	oldest layers are on the bottom	inclusions
6	rock layers are originally laid down horizontally	lateral continuity

Answers

1. lateral continuity
2. inclusions
3. cross-cutting
4. faunal succession
5. superposition
6. horizontality