

## Gradational Processes Study Sheet

Study content from Chapters 10 – 16 in your text, but especially:

### Weathering (38-39)

#### Physical:

Frost shatter, Plant roots, Thermal expansion, Exfoliation

#### Chemical

Solution, Hydrolysis, Oxidation

### Mass Wasting (39-41)

#### Causes

#### Types

Scree, Soil creep, Landslide, Mudflow, Slump, Avalanche, Soil solution

### Rivers and Valleys (42-47)

#### Types of drainage patterns (42)

Dendritic, Trellis, Radial

#### Stages of river development (43)

Youth, Mature, Old age, Rejuvenated

#### Erosional Processes of rivers (43-44)

Hydraulic action, Abrasion, Attrition, Corrosion

#### Ways Rivers transport sediments (44)

Solution, Suspension, Saltation, Traction

#### Landforms (44-47)

Potholes, gorges and canyons

Flood plains, meanders, undercut banks, point-bar, Slip-off slope, Levees, Dikes,

Oxbow Lakes, River terraces, Braided Rivers, Sandbars, Arcuate Deltas, Bird's

foot Deltas, Estuarine Deltas

### Glaciers (47-54)

Accumulation, ablation, firn, isostatic sinking and rebound (47-49)

#### Erosional action of glaciers (49-50)

Plucking (AKA Quarrying), Abrasion, Glacial deposition, Till, Outwash

#### Erosional features of alpine glaciers (50-52)

Cirque, tarn, arête, col, horn, striations, moraines (ground, lateral, terminal medial, recessional), esker, truncated spurs, hanging valleys, crevasses, icefall, ribbon or finger lakes

#### Features of continental glaciers (52-53)

Drumlins, outwash plains, erratics, rouché moutonnée, crag and tail

#### Post glacial landscape (53)

U-shaped valleys, hanging valleys, waterfalls

#### Benefits of glaciation (53-54)

### Wave Action and Coastal Landforms (54-57)

#### Waves (54)

Constructive or spilling waves vs. destructive or plunging waves (54-55)

Wave refraction

- Coastline erosion generated by waves (55)
  - Corrosion, Corrasion or abrasion, attrition, hydraulic action
- Undercutting and cliff retreat (55-56)
- Features formed from cliff retreat (56)
  - Bay, headlands, tunnel, arch, stacks, wave-cut platform
- Swash, backwash, longshore drift (57)
- Shoreline depositional features (57)
  - Spit, tombolo, groynes
- Submerged shorelines (57)
  - Estuaries, Rias, Fiords
- The work of Groundwater (58-60)
  - Permeability, Porosity, Zone of Saturation, Water Table, Groundwater, Zone of Aeration, Aquifer, Artesian well, Hydraulic head, Ordinary wells (58)
  - Landforms created by ground water (59)
    - Travertine terraces, caves and caverns, sinkholes
  - Karst Landscapes and Limestone Caves (59-60)
    - Sinkholes, uvala, poljes, hums
    - Stalagmites, stalactites, pillars, flowstones
- Wind and Desert Landscapes (60-64)
  - What factors cause deserts to form? (60-61)
    - Latitude, Mountain barriers, cold ocean currents, ocean influence
  - Wind erosion in deserts (61-62)
    - Suspension, saltation, toadstools, deflation, blowouts, oases, aquifer
  - Water erosion in deserts (62)
    - Alluvial fan
  - Dune migration (62)
  - Types of dunes (63)
    - Traverse, barchan, parabolic, longitudinal
  - Unique landforms of desert lands (63-64)
    - Alluvial fans, bajadas, wadis, playa lakes, canyons, plateau, mesa, buttes, hamadas, bolson, ergs, loess

Review vocabulary on pages 64 – 67, your focus questions, and sample multiple choice questions on pages 361– 366.