

Industrial Uses of Minerals Activity

Purpose: To learn industrial uses of minerals.

In this activity you will go on a scavenger hunt in your book to find some industrial uses of minerals. Read each statement. Then, find the mineral that matches the statement on pages 196-198 in your textbook.

Clues

1. Hard mineral used in cutting instruments. _____
2. This mineral is a source of magnets. _____
3. This mineral is used for making coins and electrical wires. _____
4. This mineral is used in making concrete and cement. _____
5. This mineral is used in wires and dental fillings. _____
6. This mineral is sometimes used as a lubricant (but is more often used in paint)

7. This mineral is used as a seasoning. _____
8. This mineral is used in making glass. _____
9. This mineral is used in making medicines and sulfuric acid. _____
10. This mineral is used in talcum powder. _____
11. This mineral is used as an abrasive due to its hardness. _____
12. This mineral is used in fireproofing. _____
13. This mineral is used as a shield against radiation. _____
14. This mineral is used as a lubricant and writing instrument. _____