

Monadnocks and Waterfall- Vocabulary

Resistant: (noun) a material that prevents some effect from happening

Synonym: prevent, repel, defy

Monadnock: (noun) a hill or mountain that stands above the surrounding areas plain

Elevation: (noun) the height to which something has risen; the altitude of a place above sea level

Synonym: ascend, rise

Weathering: (noun) the various physical and mechanical processes that cause exposed rock to decompose

Synonym: wearing away, deplete

Erosion: (noun) the process by which the surface of the earth is worn down by the action of water, wind, waves, glaciers, etc.

Synonym: corrosion, wear down, wash away

Escarpment: (noun) a long clifflike ridge of land or rock formed by fracturing the earth's crust

Synonym: cliff, ridge

Ledge: (noun) a narrow, projecting part, a flat shelf of rock protruding from a cliff or slope

Synonym: sill, rim, edge

Plunge pool: (noun) the basin area below a waterfall

Formation: (noun) the way a thing is formed or arranged

Synonym: construction, creation, development

Retreat: (verb) to withdraw, move back

Synonym: withdraw

Exposure: (noun) the condition of being without protection from the effects weather, sunlight, wind etc.

Synonym: vulnerable, risk, open to

Humidity: (noun) the condition of moistness and dampness

Synonym: moisture, dew, damp

Profile: (noun) the contour or representation of the side view angle of object

Synonym: side view

Micro-climate: (noun) the prevailing weather conditions of a small area

Synonym: niche

Trampled: (verb) the step heavily, stomp crushingly

Synonym: crush, flatten, squash

