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Describe the characteristics and types of primary rocks.

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Salient features of world's physical geography.

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Granite

Coarse acidic plutonic rock of continental batholiths, common in the Indian Peninsula.

Basalt

Fine basic lava that builds the Deccan Trap plateaus.

Gabbro

Coarse plutonic equivalent of basalt.

Dolerite dykes

Medium-grained basic sheets cutting older rocks in the Deccan and Gondwana belts.

No fossils in igneous rock

Melt origin destroys or never hosts organic remains, unlike most sedimentary rocks.

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