



WHY DOES THAT ROCK...ROCK? - ANSWER KEY

Natural Process

| Process | Rock Name |
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| glacial erratic | Madison Boulder |
| water/erosion | The Basin Frog Rock |
| landslide/erosion | Old Man of the Mountain Willey Slide |
| multi-rock formation | Old Man of the Mountain |

Human Process

| Process | Rock Name |
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| tourist attraction | Willey Slide Old Man of the Mountain The Basin |
| communication | Wentworth's Store sign |
| tool | Abenaki stone bowls |
| boundary marker | Endicott Rock Stone Walls |

Do any of the rocks fit in more than one category? How did the different processes involved change the rock's story? **Answers will vary but may include ideas relating to how the natural process gave the rock a unique appearance or moved the rock in such a way that it led to other events. The Old Man of the Mountain, the Willey Slide, and the Basin are examples of this combination of natural process and human reaction to that process creating a story for the rock.**

What do New Hampshire's famous rocks tell us about how Earth changes over time? **Answers will vary but should address how natural processes of the earth change the location, size, shape, and even the color of rocks. Glaciers, running water, and gravity impact the sediment and features of the Earth's surface.**