



Questions for Unit 1 (Geology)

1. Where were England and Scotland situated in the Cambrian period, and how did they get to where they are today?
2. Where are the oldest rocks in Britain?
3. When did the mountains of the Scottish Highlands form? How?
4. Where is Siccar Point, and why is it important for the history of geology?
5. Who is ...
 - a) ...the “father of modern geology”?
 - b) ...the “father of British geology”?
6. What are Britain’s most important geological resources, and where are they located?
7. What metal was Britain famous for in antiquity, and why did people need it?
8. The White Cliffs of Dover...
 - a) ...what are they made of?
 - b) ...what is their symbolic significance?
9. How much of the British Isles was covered by ice sheets during the last Ice Age?
10. What river would the Thames be a tributary of if the sea levels fell again?

