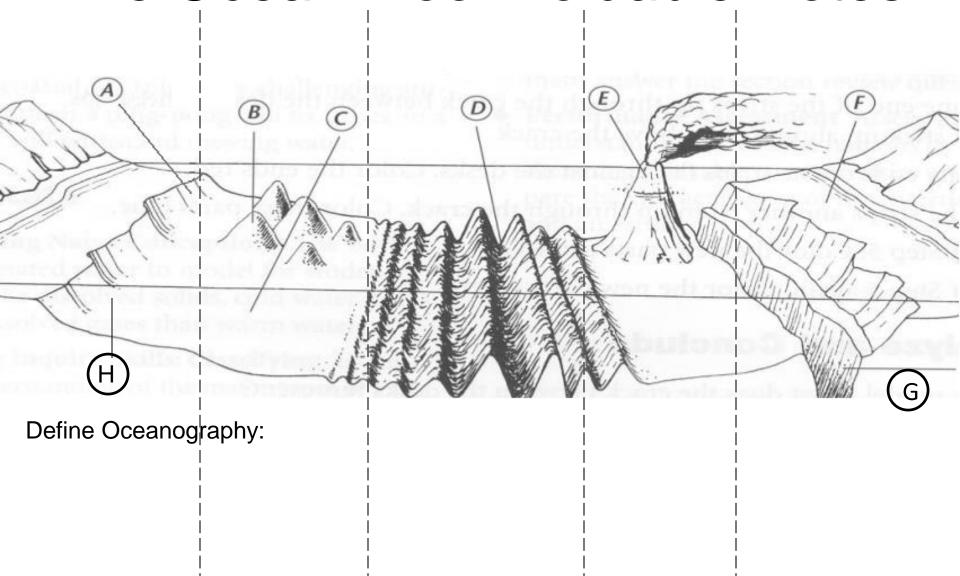
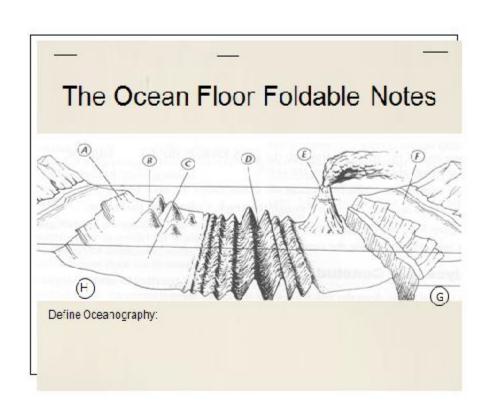
## The Ocean Floor Foldable Notes

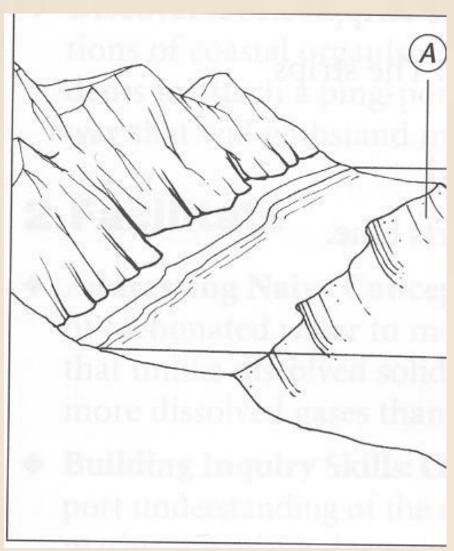


#### Do First

- Define Oceanography on the front over
- Color anything below the ocean blue, and anything above the water brown
- Cut trough the dashed lines (ONLY on the cover)
- Complete foldable by following the slides that follow



# A. Continental Slope



 Fold section A and write information about the continental slope behind it.

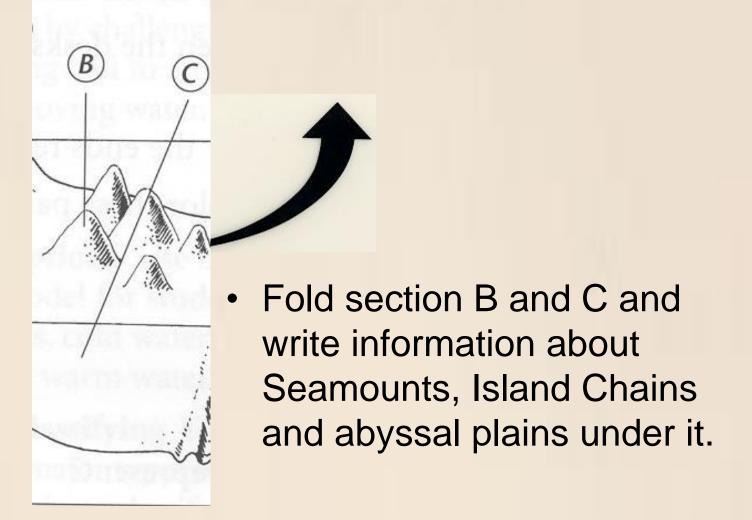
## A. Continental Slope

- The steep gradient that leads to the deep ocean floor and marks the seaward edge of the continental shelf
- The continental slope begins at the shelf edge.
- Slope is about the same as a movie theater aisle

#### H. Continental Rise

- The gently sloping surface at the base of the continental slope
- Lies at the base of the continental slope on oceanic crust and is generally several kilometers thick
- Only occurs at passive continental margins like the east coast of the U.S.

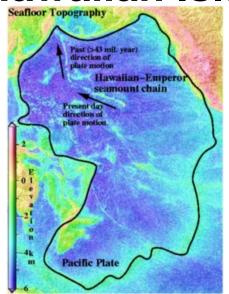
# B. Seamount and Island Chains C. Abyssal Plain

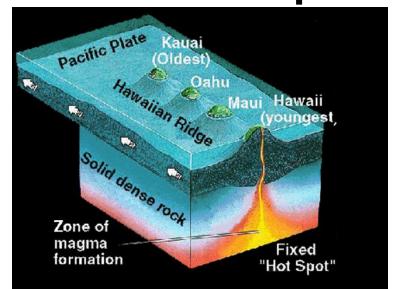


#### **B. Seamount and Island Chains**

- Seamounts cone shaped undersea mountain of volcanic origin
- Can occur in chains or ridges and often have an active volcanic island at one end.

Hawaiian Islands are the best example.

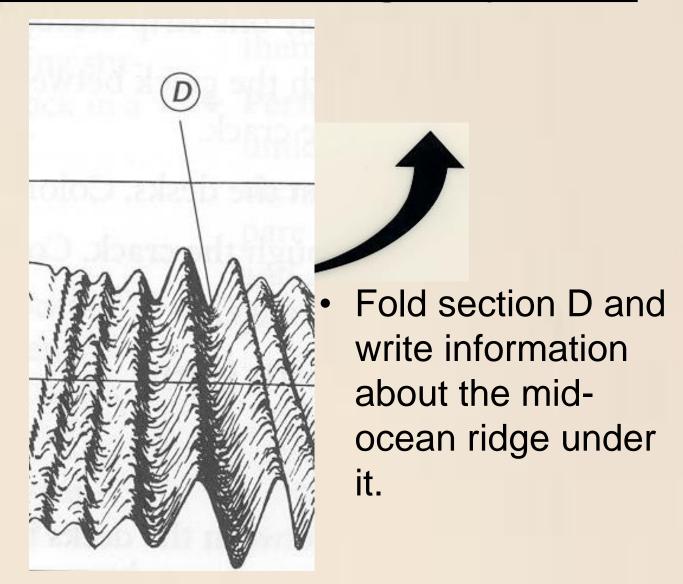




## C. Abyssal Plain

- The flat floors of the ocean containing sediments originating mostly from the continents, usually lying at the foot of the continental rise
- Flattest areas on the planet
- Not tectonically active

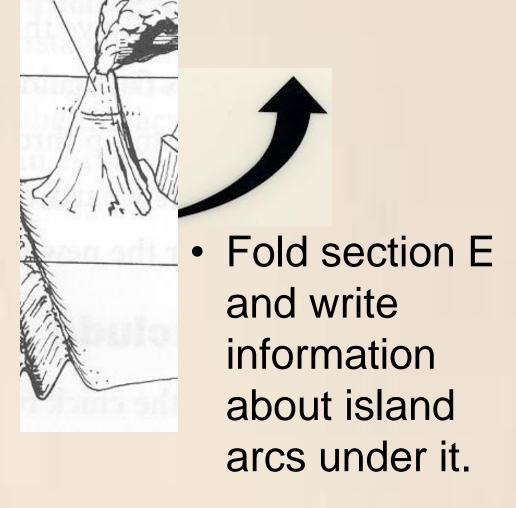
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- A long chain of mountains with a central rift valley that is located along a divergent boundary on the ocean floor
- Creates oceanic crust

## E. Island Arcs

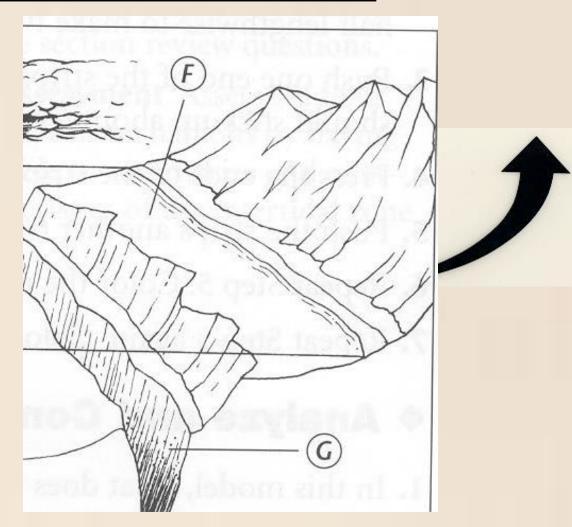


### E. Island Arcs

 Island arcs are chains of volcanically active islands that parallel deep-sea trenches formed by subduction zones.

# F. Continental Shelf G. Deep Sea Trenches

 Fold section F and G up and write information about the Continental shelf under it.



## F. Continental Shelf

- An underwater extension of the coastal plain.
- The continental shelf extends from the shoreline outward toward the slope.
- The topography of a shelf is very flat and the width varies.
- The Atlantic shelf is much wider than the Pacific

## G. Deep Sea Trenches

- Deep-Sea Trenches parallel volcanic arcs and subduction zones
- They are the deepest parts of the oceans
- Marianas Trench (11km) is the deepest in the world
- Also found at active continental margins like the west coast of the United States