

memorize

- d. climate - the type of climate greatly influences the rate and type of weathering.
 - i. Warm, moist climates have more chemical weathering.
 - ii. Cold climates have more physical weathering.

III. Soil

- a. soil - the mixture of weathered rock and organic remains that usually covers bedrock.
 - i. bedrock - is the rock under the soil in a particular area.
- b. Both physical and chemical weathering are involved over a long period of time.
- c. Plants and animals add organic materials (humus).
- d. The decay of organic matter accelerates the chemical weathering.
- e. Burrowing animals help circulate air and water through the soil and mix minerals.
- f. The type of soil depends on the type of bedrock.
- g. Residual soil is soil that matches the bedrock below. It hasn't been moved.
- h. transported soil is soil that does not match the bedrock below. It must have been transported from somewhere else.

IV. Erosion

- a. Erosion - the transporting of sediments
- b. Sediments - are rocks that have been broken into fragments.
- c. Agents of erosion are natural occurrences that actually move sediments.

V. Agents of Erosion

- a. Gravity is the *DRIVING* force behind erosion.
 - i. Makes mass movements: landslides and mudslides.
- b. Running water is the *most common* agent of erosion in moist areas.
 - i. Small particles travel at the same velocity as the water while large particles travel slower than the water velocity.
 - ii. The greater the velocity of the water, the ↑ the diameter of particles it can carry.
 - iii. Running water breaks down mountains and carries the sediments to where they are deposited somewhere else.
 - iv. The velocity of a stream is controlled by
 - 1. shape - water flows faster in straight streams