

Super English



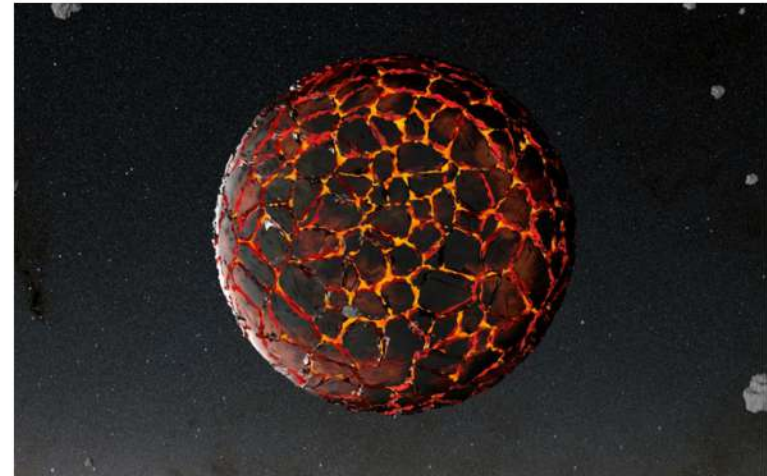
Intermediate
Speaking
Unit 10 - Lesson 1
Prehistory



Formation of the Earth

Read the text and discuss the words in bold.

Over 4.5 billion years ago, the Earth was just a ball of hot rock and metal. Over time, it cooled down, and the first oceans formed. The air was toxic back then — there was no oxygen to breathe! Volcanoes erupted often, and **meteorites** crashed into the planet. But slowly, Earth became a place where life could **emerge**.

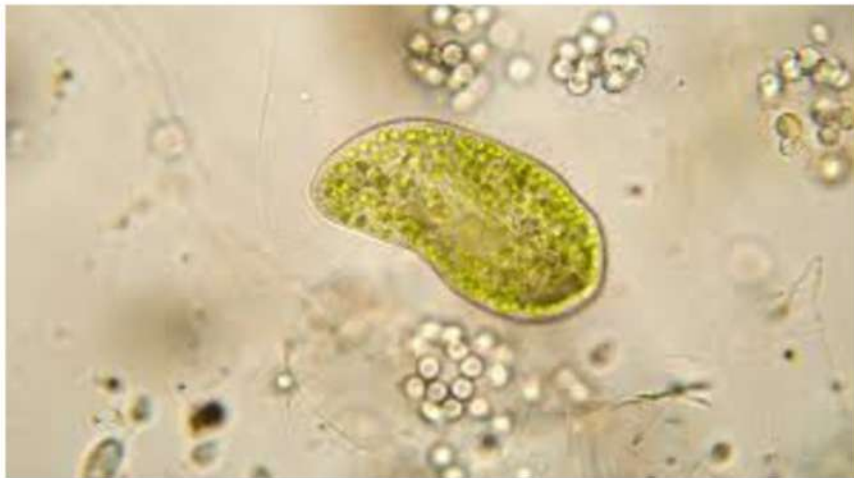


1. How do you think the first oceans might have looked compared to today?
2. Do you think Earth would look more beautiful or more dangerous back then? Why?
3. Which do you think had a bigger impact on early Earth — volcanoes or meteorites? Why?



First Life

Read the text and discuss the words in bold.



The first life forms were tiny single-celled **organisms** living in the ocean. They were so small that you would need a microscope to see them! Later, simple plants grew, releasing oxygen into the air. Strange sea creatures like trilobites and giant sea scorpions **thrived** in the oceans.



1. Do you think plants or animals are more important for life? Why?
2. Would you rather be a tiny single cell or a giant sea creature?
3. Do you think the first oceans or today's oceans are more dangerous?

Vocabulary

Match the vocabulary words to their definitions.

- dominant
- settle
- adapt
- emerge
- herbivore
- vanish

1. To slowly appear or come into view
2. An animal that only eats plants
3. To live in one place and make it your home
4. To change in order to fit a new situation
5. To disappear completely
6. Most powerful or important in a place or group

Dialogue 1: Earth's Wild Beginning



Practice the dialogue and answer the question.

Liam: Can you imagine Earth with no oxygen?

Ava: Yeah, but I wouldn't want to breathe back then.

Liam: Or live through volcanoes exploding all the time.

Ava: And giant rocks falling from space? No thanks.

Liam: We'd be toast in like, two minutes.

Ava: Probably less.

Question: Would you rather live during volcano-filled Earth or asteroid-hit Earth?

See you next time!

