

# WHAT'S THE EARTH MADE OF?



**T**HE EARTH IS MADE OF FOUR LAYERS: the crust, the mantle, the outer core, and the inner core. The crust is only a few miles thick and is made of rocks. The mantle is the largest layer—about 1,800 miles thick—and is made of hot magma, which comes up out of the ground when volcanoes erupt. The core is even hotter, and is made up almost completely of metallic elements. Because it is made up of metal, scientists believe the core is what makes magnetism possible on Earth.

*Label the layers of the Earth*

