Physical Geology Assignment 1: Minerals

Identify each of the following minerals and the mineral group to which it belongs. Note the physical properties and consult the accompanying mineral identification key. Mineral groups are the silicates, carbonates, oxides, sulfides, sulfates, halides, and native elements.

Questions	Physical Properties	Image
1. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic Hardness: 4 Streak: white Cleavage: four directions	
2. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic Hardness: 3 Streak: red Cleavage: not prominent Ore of iron	© geology.com
3. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: metallic Hardness: 2.5 Specific gravity: 7.6 Cleavage: cubic Ore of lead	
4. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic Hardness: 6 Specific gravity: 2.6 Cleavage: two directions at nearly right angles A common mineral in granite	J.S.
5. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic Hardness: 5-6 Specific gravity: 3.2 Cleavage: two directions at 60 degrees and 120 degrees Common in certain igneous rocks like andesite	

6. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: metallic Hardness: 1 Specific gravity: 2.2 Feel: greasy Used in pencil lead	L lcm L
7. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic Hardness: 3 Cleavage: three directions at 75 degrees (rhombohedral) Property: effervesces in HCl Common mineral in limestone	
8. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic: fibrous, silky Hardness: 2 (easily scratches with fingernail) Cleavage: 3 directions Used in plaster	
9. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: metallic Hardness: 6 Specific gravity: 5.2 Form: cubic crystals Also known as fool's gold	
10. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic Hardness: 6-7 Crystal structure composed of isolated silica-oxygen tetrahedral Major mineral in Earth's mantle	

11. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic Hardness: 2.5 Cleavage: three directions at 90 degrees Salty taste	
12. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic Hardness: 2.5 Specific gravity: 9 Cleavage: none Sometimes tarnished to brown or green	
13. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: metallic Hardness: 6 Specific gravity: 5.2 Streak: black Ore of iron Magnetic	© geology.com
14. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic, adamantine Hardness: 10	
15. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Luster: nonmetallic, glassy Hardness: 6.5-7.5 Fracture: conchoidal Common mineral in a metamorphic rock called schist	

The following five minerals (16-20) include olivine, augite (pyroxene group), hornblende (amphibole group), biotite (mica group), and quartz. Match each of these minerals to the correct internal arrangement of silicon-oxygen tetrahedra.

16. Mineral Name? Mineral group?	Three-dimensional networks	
17. Mineral Name?		
Mineral group?	Double chains	
18. Mineral Name?		
Mineral group?	Single chains	
19. Mineral Name?	Sheets	
Mineral group?		
20. Mineral Name?		
Mineral group?	Single tetrahedron	