**5th Grade Vocabulary: Earth’s Changing Surface**

**Here is your next vocabulary list! Every day we will cover new terms. Your homework each night is to write the word(s) we covered into the vocabulary section of your composition book and also make a new flash card from your index cards. Don’t get behind….this is a great way to prepare every evening for your test. Keep this paper in your science folder or folded in the vocabulary section of your composition book. We will use this sheet to begin reciting the vocabulary on the first day of each new chapter. Composition books and vocabulary cards will be graded during your test on test day. Always remember to have your vocabulary done on time!**

Begin this vocabulary section by writing this header at the top of your page:

**Earth’s Changing Surface**

1. **Contour Lines – lines on a topographical map that indicate areas with the same elevation, or height above sea level**
2. **Crust – the thin, rocky outer layer of Earth that makes up the continents and the ocean floor**
3. **Topographical map – map that shows the shape of surface features and their elevations, or heights above sea level**
4. **Erosion – destructive force in which pieces of rock are moved by water, wind, or moving ice**
5. **Sediment – small pieces of rock**
6. **Weathering – destructive force that breaks down rocks into smaller pieces**
7. **Deposition – constructive force in which sediments that have been moved from one place are dropped or released in another place**

This vocabulary is due the day of the test. Write each word and definition in your composition book and also make a vocabulary card. Please have them finished on time!

Guiding Questions – You should be able to answer these questions after this chapter.

1. What makes up the surface of the Earth?
2. What forces wear down or destroy the surface of the Earth?
3. What forces build up or construct the surface of the Earth?

Essential Question –

* How do constructive and destructive forces work together to change the surface of the Earth?