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1. Matching (more than one answer may be applicable):

kyanite

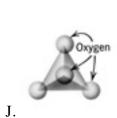
tectosilicate

cyclosilicate

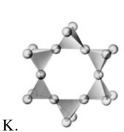
[20 pts]

- nesosilicate
 - garnet group phyllosilicate
 - double chain inosilicate
- - sorosilicate
 - single chain inosilicate beryl

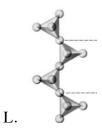
- A. [Si₂O₇]⁶-
- B. biotite
- C. $[Si_2O_6]^{4-}$
- D. [Si₄O₁₁]⁶-
- E. [Si₆O₁₈]¹²-
- F. [SiO₂]°
- G. zircon
- H. epidote
- I. olivine



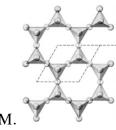
N. diopside



O. Al₂SiO₅



(infinite single chain)

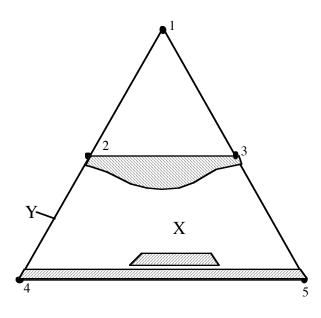


(infinite sheet)

- P. grossular
- Q. actinolite
- 2. Metamorphism of impure siliceous limestone can produce various mineral assemblages depending on circumstances. Write balanced reactions for the following situations: [15 pts] a. calcite + quartz + hematite -> andradite + fluid (CO₂)
 - b. calcite + quartz -> wollastonite + fluid
 - c. dolomite + quartz + H₂O -> tremolite + calcite + fluid

3. On the diagram at the places with numbers, write in the NAME, the FORMULA and the SHORTHAND SYMBOL for each number on the diagram. What minerals coexist at: [19 pts]

X ______, Y ______.



4. Phyllosilicates

a. As a group, the swelling clay minerals are known as ______. [5 pts]

b. A serpentinite is a rock composed essentially of serpentine, often derived by alteration of olivine. Write a balanced reaction representing:

forsterite +
$$H_2O$$
 -> serpentine + brucite. [5 pts]

c. Discuss the structural reasons why one form of serpentine, chrysotile asbestos, crystallizes in a fibrous habit. [10 pts]

d. Supply the missing trioctahedra	al phyllosilicate na	me or formula, and a schematic drawing	g
pelow, using the conventions we detrahedral layer.	discussed in class:	\square = octahedral layer, and \square =	8 pts]
brucite		$Mg(OH)_2$	
	\Box	$Mg_6Si_4O_{10}(OH)_8$	
talc			
phlogopite			
		Mg ₃ Si ₄ O ₁₀ (OH) ₂ -Mg ₃ (OH) ₆	

5. YOUR CHOICE:

- a. What is the general formula for garnet? List the compositions of the members of the pyralspite and ugrandite groups, OR,
- b. What are the polymorphs of sillimanite (names and formulae), and draw a generalized P-T diagram showing their fields of stability. [18 pts]

Extra credit: A pink single chain inosilicate (name, formula)

[2 pts xc]