

ABSTRACT

A Career in Mining

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“A Career in Mining” is an informative and practical introduction to mining, rocks, minerals and elements and how they impact our daily lives.

Minerals contain elements that are all around us and in the things that we use in our daily activities including fluorine in our toothpaste, zinc in our suntan cream and copper in our mobile devices.

A variety of environmentally responsible mining methods are used to extract and process the elements from rock that eventually turn them into components for cell phones and automobiles.

A career in mining can take one of five different education/training pathways: science, technology, trades, equipment operator and on-the-job training. Each of these pathways can lead to a very successful and reward career in mining.

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