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Experiment: Common Landforms in the United States (E. Science 9-6-1c)

Purpose: To become familiar with some of the different kinds of landforms that one might see if they were to travel across the USA.

Materials: Appendix H

Results:

1. Each landform can be classified into one of the three general groups: mountains, plains, or plateaus. Within these general groups, many different types of landforms exist. The List on the left contains well known landforms or landscape features of the USA. Match the name with the appropriate description on the right. (As you match each of the landforms you may want to label each on the map on the back side of this lab - or do all the labeling after).

_____ Ozark Mountains
_____ Atlantic Coastal Plain
_____ Sierra Nevada Mountains
_____ Great Plains
_____ Cascade Mountains
_____ Mississippi Delta
_____ Great Lakes
_____ Appalachian Plateau
_____ Mississippi River Valley
_____ Colorado Plateau
_____ Columbia(Lava) Plateau
_____ Great Salt Lake
_____ Appalachian Mountains
_____ Grand Canyon
_____ Rocky Mountains
_____ Niagara Falls
_____ Grand Tetons
_____ Mount St. Helens

- A. an accumulation of sediment deposited by a large river
- B. old, nearly flat lying rock layers along the western edge of the Appalachians
- C. a high area in the northwest United States composed of lava
- D. folded mountain system
- E. dome mountains near the Mississippi River valley
- F. fault block mountains in Wyoming
- G. a mountain range mostly in California
- H. lowland area between the Appalachian Mountains and the eastern coastline of the United States
- I. the mountain range containing Mount St. Helens
- J. large flat lying region in the central part of the United States
- K. glacial carved lakes
- L. recently uplifted flat lying beds cut into deeply by the Colorado River
- M. low lying region in the central United States
- N. large upwarped mountain system running from Canada to Mexico
- O. a large lake in Utah
- P. famous Washington state volcano
- Q. a canyon in the Colorado Plateau
- R. waterfalls near the Great Lakes

