1. What 5 characteristics are used to define something as a mineral?

2. What does “inorganic” mean?

3. What is a crystal?

4. What is an element?

5. What is a compound?

6. What is the Mohs hardness scale?

7. What specific characteristics are used to identify a mineral? List at least 6 and EXPLAIN how to test for that specific characteristic.

EXAMPLE: *Magnetism- a compass can be placed near the mineral and if the compass reacts (moves) the mineral is magnetic.*