

## Spelling Words

*The following is a list of spelling words. These words are related to the content of the Reader, The Changing Earth.*

*During Lesson 15, you will be assessed on how to spell these words. Practice spelling the words by doing one or more of the following:*

- *spell the words out loud*
- *type sentences using the words*
- *copy the words onto paper*
- *type the words in alphabetical order*

*When you practice spelling and typing the words, remember to pronounce and spell each word one syllable at a time.*

1. fault
2. tsunami
3. geyser
4. erosion
5. glacier
6. tectonic
7. molten
8. seismograph
9. epicenter
10. conclusion

*The following chart provides the meanings of the spelling words. You are not expected to know the word meanings for the spelling assessment but it may be helpful to have them as a reference as you practice the spelling words.*

<b>Spelling Word</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>fault</b>	a crack in Earth's crust
<b>tsunami</b>	a gigantic wave of seawater caused by an earthquake in oceanic crust
<b>geyser</b>	an underground hot spring that periodically erupts, shooting hot water and steam into the air
<b>erosion</b>	any process or force that moves sediments to new locations
<b>glacier</b>	an enormous, slow-moving mass of ice found in polar regions and near tops of tall mountains
<b>tectonic</b>	relating to the process of plate movement on Earth's surface
<b>molten</b>	melted
<b>seismograph</b>	an instrument used to track seismic waves traveling through the earth
<b>epicenter</b>	the point on Earth's surface directly above an earthquake's focus
<b>conclusion</b>	a decision or opinion formed based on information you have