# Earth's Layer and Tectonic Plate Motion

#### <u>Crust</u>-

- 1) <u>Oceanic crust:</u> the outer layer of Earth that lies under oceans
  - a) Thin (escaso)
  - b) Young (joven)
  - c) Made of two rock types
- 2) <u>Continental crust</u>: the outer layer of Earth that forms land
  - i) Thick (denso)
  - ii) Old (viejo)
  - iii) Made of many rock types



Mantle- a shell beneath the crust of the Earth

- solid
- made of rock
- Contains 82% of the Earth's volume



Lithosphere - Earth's crust + upper mantle

- cool in temperature
- rigid

Example: <u>Sphere</u> of Rock





Outer core- the layer surrounding the inner core

- liquid
- made of metallic iron (hecha de hierro metálico)
- generates Earth's magnetic field



Inner core- the layer in the center of the Earth

- high temperature
- solid
- made of metallic substance



### **Tectonic Plates**

- <u>Tectonic Plates</u>- divisions of the lithosphere (crust+upper mantle)
  - move continuously
  - change in shape and size (forma y tamaño)
  - movement causes events such as earthquakes (*terremotos*) and volcanoes (*volcanes*)



• <u>Convection-</u>the transfer of heat through liquid



#### Mantle convection

• heat rises from the Earth's core



#### • <u>Slab-pull</u>- sinking of old oceanic crust

- o cool (fresco)
- o dense (denso)
- sinks (hunde)
- o downward pull (tirón hacia abajo)



<u>**Ridge-push</u>**- new crust pushes older crust away</u>

- hot (caliente)
- downward push (empuje hacia abajo)



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