

Name _____

Island Explorer Answer Key

1. Hawaii
Type: volcanic
2. New Zealand
Type: continental
3. Philippines
Type: continental
4. Fiji
Type: coral
5. Japan
Type: volcanic

Teacher's Guide

Purpose: Build students' understanding of major Pacific island groups and the geologic processes that formed them.

Instructional Tips

- Review the three island types first: **volcanic**, **continental**, and **coral**.
- Use a world map to help students visualize where each island group is located.
- Encourage students to underline clues in each description such as tectonic activity or coral reefs.

Engagement Ideas

- Begin with a quick warm up asking students which Pacific islands they have heard of.
- Show real photographs of the island groups for comparison and interest.

Extension Activities

- Have students draw a map labeling all five island groups.
- Ask students to write a short explanation of how one type of island is formed.