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# ROCKS AND MINERALS

## Gems

### Another View

This book has a lot of information about gems.

As you know, every source is different. Ask a librarian or another adult to help you find another source about gems. Write a short essay comparing and contrasting the new source's point of view with that of this book's author. What is the point of view of each author? How are they similar and why? How are they different and why?



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### Dig Deeper

After reading this book, what questions do you still have about gems? Do you want to learn more about diamond mining? Or how stones are cut to maximize their brilliance? Write down one or two questions that can guide you in doing research. With an adult's help, find a few reliable sources about gems that can help answer your questions. Write a few sentences about how you did your research and what you learned from it.



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### **Tell the Tale**

This book discusses how diamonds are formed deep within Earth's mantle. Write a few paragraphs that tell the true story of how diamonds become jewelry. How are diamonds formed? How are they mined? What kinds of diamonds are made into jewelry and how? Be sure to set the scene, develop a sequence of events, and write a conclusion.



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### Why Do I Care?

Maybe you do not own any gems, but they could be all around you. In what ways are gems a part of your life? Could there be gems in the rocks around you? If so, how would you go about finding, studying, and identifying them?



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