# Submitting an Article to Geology.com

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#### What We Do Not Publish:

- Promotion: We do not publish articles that promote products, people, businesses, properties, websites, etc. These are not popular with our visitors.
- Highly technical: We do not publish technical papers. The typical visitor to geology.com is a student or a person with a strong interest in earth science. Our goal is to publish articles that target the reading and scientific literacy skills at the high school / early college levels.
- Topics of limited interest: Articles that we believe will interest a small number of people must be declined. We must spend our time and website real estate on topics that our visitors engage.
- Linkbuilder content: We do not publish articles written to produce links to other websites.

## What We Are Looking For:

- Popular geology:
  - Articles that explain basic geological concepts
  - Articles that explain how a geological topic is relevant to the average person
  - o Articles that explain the geology behind topics in the news

#### Requirements:

- Qualified authors: All authors must have education, knowledge and/or experience that qualifies them to write about their topic. A resume must be submitted with every article that we consider.
- Accurate content: Your article will be reviewed before it is approved for publication. Then
  thousands of people will read your article. It is very important to present accurate content to this
  audience.
- Original content: You must be the original author, photographer and/or artist of any materials that
  are submitted to geology.com for consideration. Content in the public domain is also acceptable if
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## **Ask Before You Write:**

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