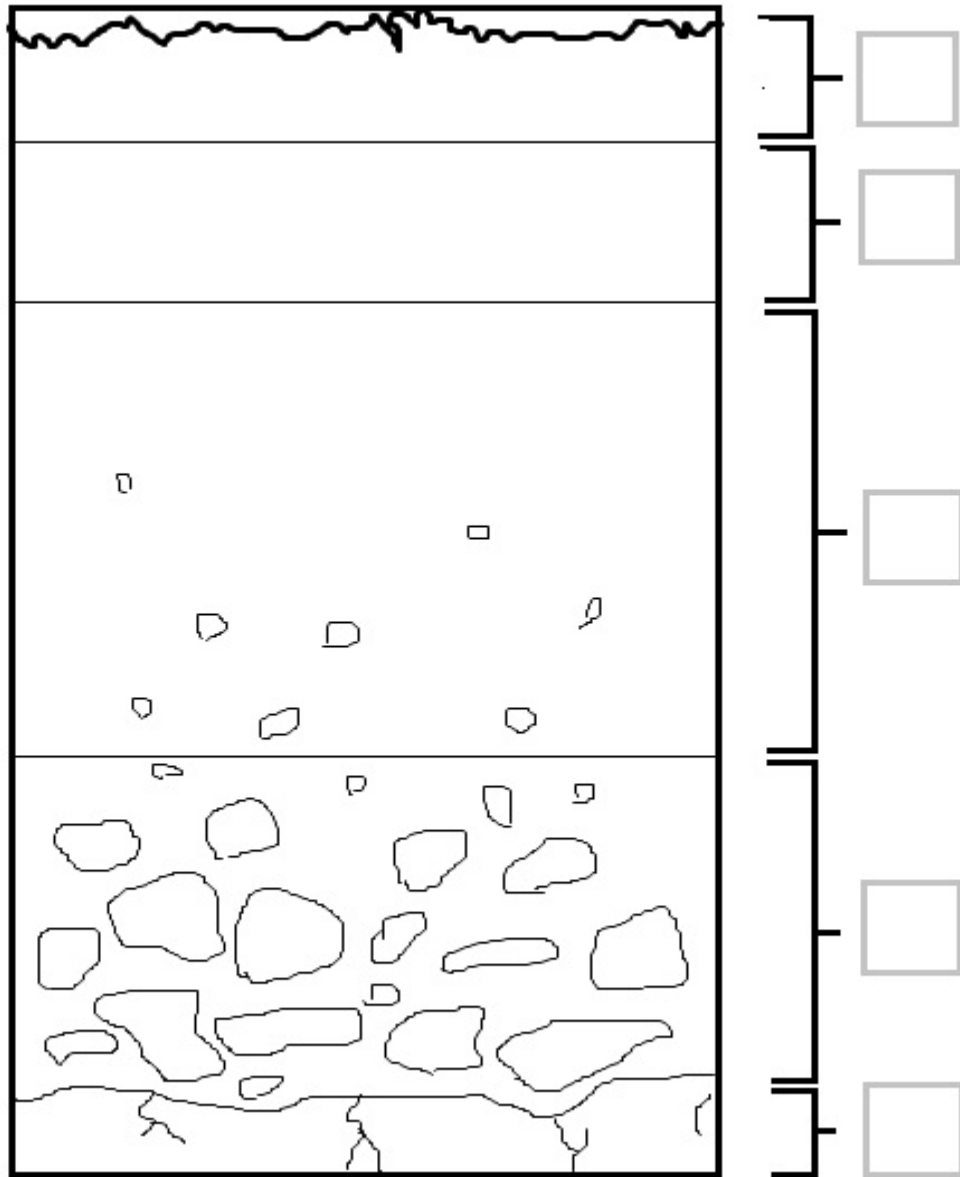


Soil Horizons

Next to each soil horizon put the letter that matches from the description below. Color the soil horizons.



O – This is the top layer, the “organic” layer which is made up of dead plant matter for the most part.

A – This is the second layer of soil, what we call the “top soil”. It too has lots of organic matter mixed in and is usually darkly colored.

B – Subsoil layer. There isn't much organic stuff in here. Sometimes the transition between top soil and subsoil is very sharp and defined and sometimes they fade into one another.

C – This layer usually has lots of large rocks mixed in with soil deep underground.

D – This is the bedrock that lies beneath the soil. In some places this can be quite near the surface and in others it is very, very deep.