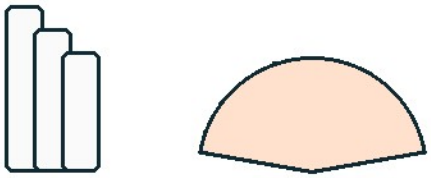
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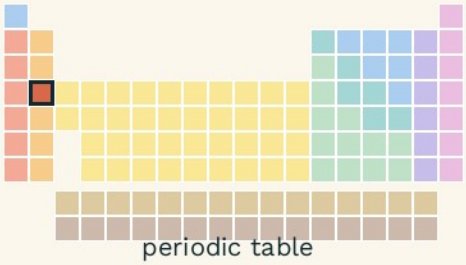
WHERE YOU FIND IT

- Chalk and limestone
- Seashells and the hard shells of sea animals
- Teeth and bones contain calcium compounds

WHAT IT DOES FOR US

Calcium compounds make strong, hard materials. Limestone is used to make cement, and chalk is used for writing.

WHERE IT SITS



periodic table

FUN FACT

In nature calcium is always joined to other elements. Pure calcium is a soft, silvery metal made in labs.

SAFE TO KNOW

Chalk is safe to use. Do not breathe in the dust, and wash your hands afterward.

Adults: never let children mix, heat or taste chemicals.

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