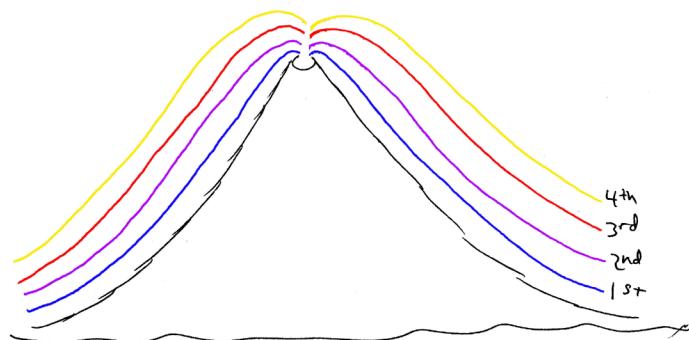
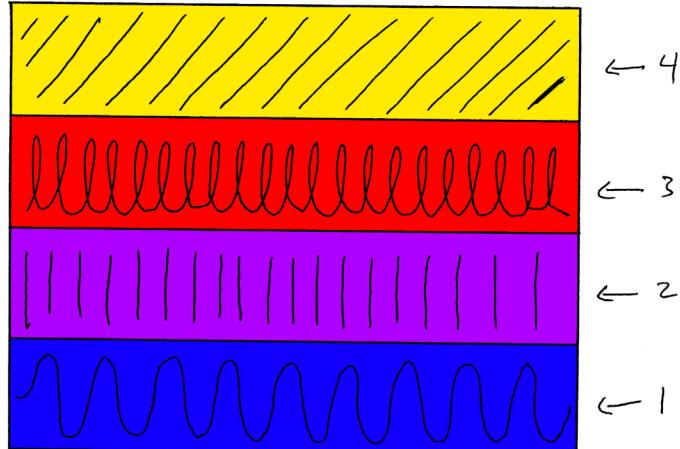


The Principle of Superposition

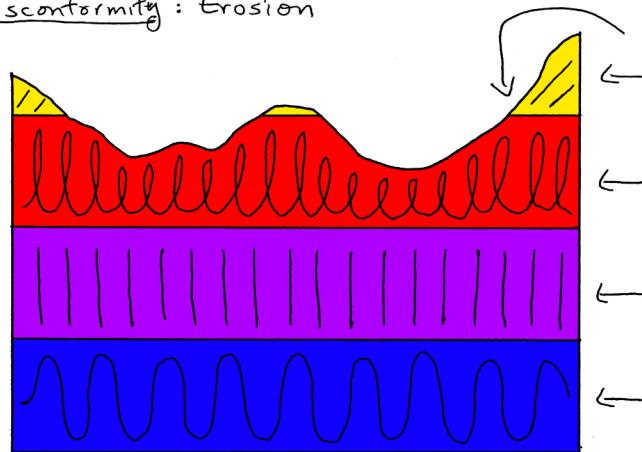
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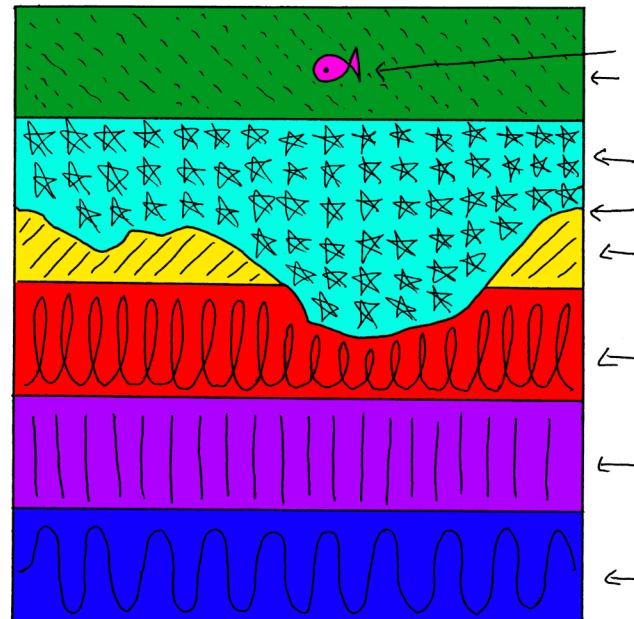
In an undisturbed layer of rocks, the oldest rocks are at the bottom and the youngest (newest) are at the top.



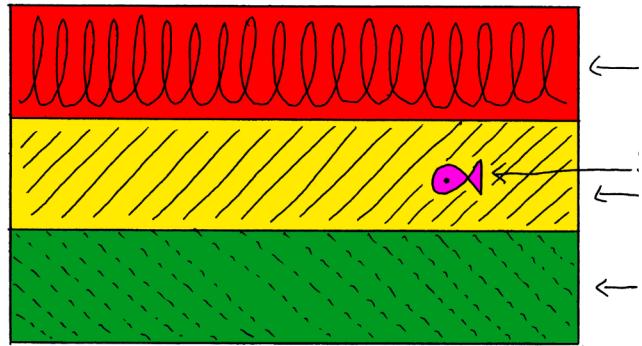
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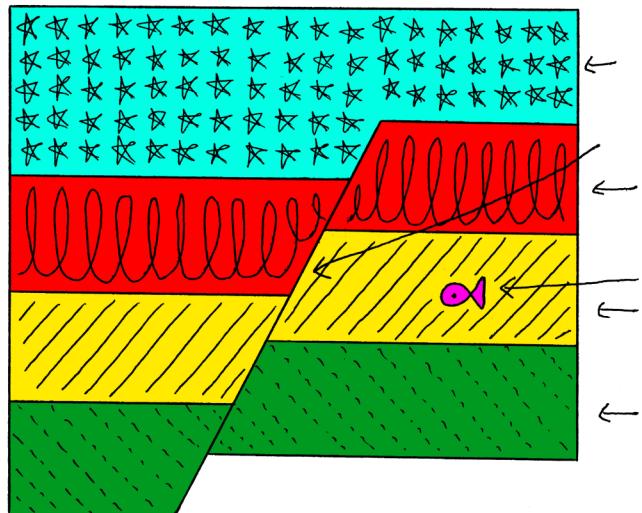
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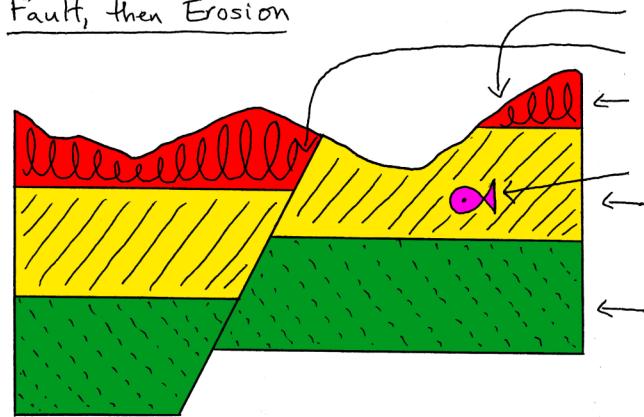
④ Fault: Before



⑤ Fault: After (with a New Layer Added)

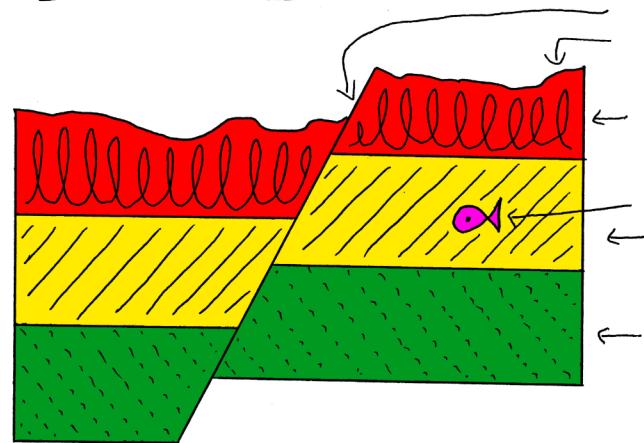


⑥ Fault, then Erosion



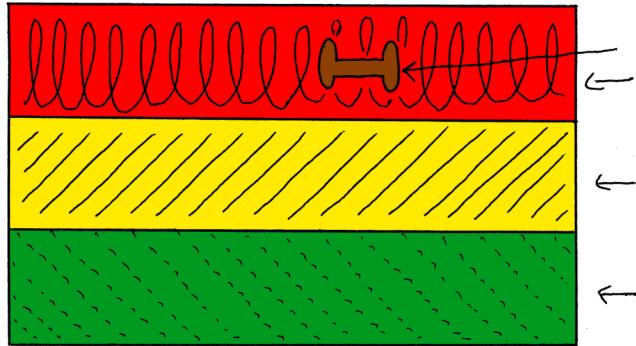
Note: You can tell that the fault came first because the erosion cut through the top of the fault.

⑦ Erosion, then Fault

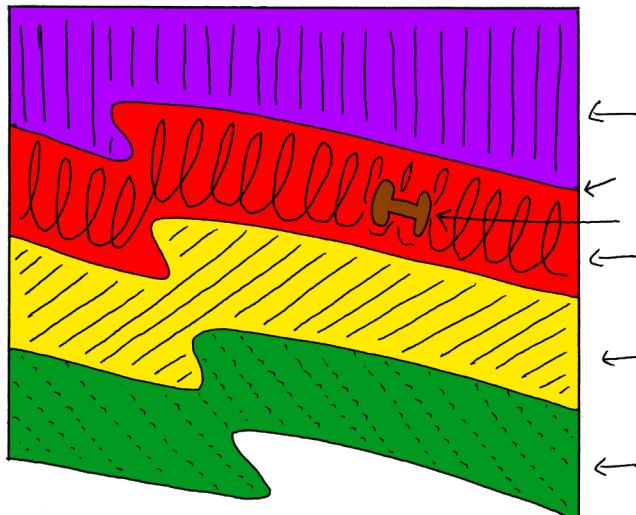


Note: You can tell that the erosion came first because the fault separated the two eroded layers.

⑧ Uplifting: Before [also called Folding]

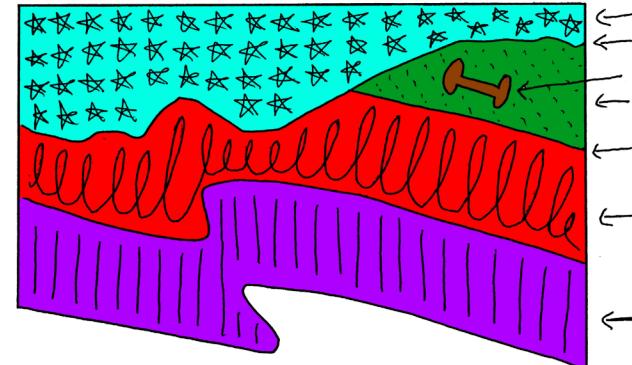


⑨ Uplifting: After (with a New Layer Added)
[also called Folding]



⑩ Angular Unconformity

↓
Folding
or
Uplifting AND Erosion



⑪ Igneous Intrusion or Igneous Dike

