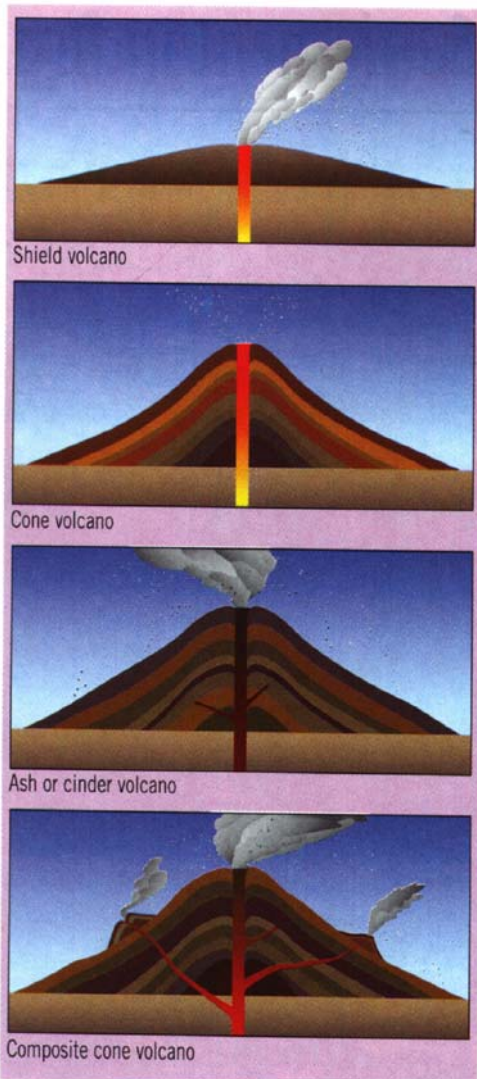


## Shapes of a Volcano



Not all volcanoes are the same. A volcano's shape comes from the lava. If the lava flows quickly, the sides will be low. This makes a *shield volcano*.

If the lava flows slowly, the sides of the volcano will be steep. This makes a *cone volcano*.

Some volcanoes throw out ash, dust and gas when they erupt. These are called *ash or cinder volcanoes*.

Some volcanoes throw out lava and ash. These volcanoes are called *composite cone volcanoes*.