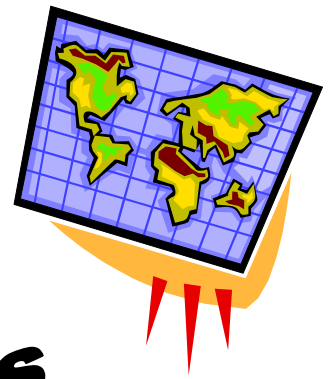


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Alfred Wegener and the Drifting Continents



1912 -	Gave scientific talk about his ideas
Wegener suggested -	At one time all of the continents were together as one large landmass called Pangaea
1915 -	Published a book, which tried to explain how Earth's continents and oceans might have formed and changed overtime
3 pieces of evidence from Wegener's book to support his theory:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Continental shelves fit like puzzle2. Fossil remains of certain species3. Climate changed overtime4. Rock similarities
What Wegener proposed about Pangaea:	Overtime landmasses broke apart and he thought they were still moving today
What Wegener's theory didn't explain -	How the continents moved to their present day locations
1960's -	Other scientists began to accept Wegener's hypothesis