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Plateaus, Mesas, and Mountains: Understanding the Differences

Multiple Choice Questions

1. What is the primary distinction between plateaus, mesas, and mountains?

- a. Their age
- b. Their elevation
- c. Their geological formation
- d. Their location on Earth

2. How are mesas typically formed?

- a. Through volcanic activity
- b. By gradual lifting of the Earth's crust
- c. Through erosion on plateaus
- d. By tectonic plate collisions

3. What is a common characteristic of both plateaus and mesas?

- a. Flat tops
- b. Rugged terrain
- c. Volcanic activity
- d. Isolated locations

4. Why are plateaus often suitable for agriculture?

- a. Due to their high elevation
- b. Because they have rugged terrain
- c. They have fertile soil and flat land
- d. They are isolated from other landforms

5. What activities are mountains popular destinations for?

- a. Archaeological exploration
- b. Mountaineering, skiing, and hiking
- c. Agriculture and farming
- d. Industrial mining

