

Jet

Jet is a hard, black mineral used for jewellery and ornaments which became popular in the 1800's when Queen Victoria of Britain lost her husband, Prince Albert and the nation went into mourning. The black mineral is a form of the soft coal, lignite and it takes a good polish. It is mainly mined in Yorkshire, England. If you look at Jet under a microscope you can see the texture of wood running through it. French Jet is black glass.

1. Locate the geographical locations mentioned above on an atlas.
2. Is Jet still mined in these areas?
3. Are there any other locations in the world where Jet is mined that are not mentioned above?
4. Research the history of Jet and its relevance with Queen Victoria on the Internet.
5. Write a report of your findings or give an oral report.