

**The title of this Student Text is
“The Process of Crater Formation”**

Cratering is often divided into phases for ease of discussion, although all of the phases flow from one into the next. Part of the impactor and target can be in one phase while another has already moved on to the next.

The next few tactile cards are adapted from sketches by Nick Walker. He is the brother of the author of the educational activity “Designing Craters.”

These tactile cards show a side view showing the phases of cratering formation.

Tactile Card 9a shows the way the land and sky look before the impact. Everything is calm and static.

The clear, non-textured area at the top is the sky.

The dots at the bottom represent land.