bedrock

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bed·rock [bedrocks] BrE ['bedrock] * NAmE ['bedra□k * noun

- 1. singular a strong base for sth, especially the facts or the principles on which it is based
 - The poor suburbs traditionally **formed the bedrock of** the party's support.
 - · Honesty is the bedrock of any healthy relationship.
- 2. uncountable the solid rock in the ground below the loose soil and sand

Example Bank:

• The poor suburbs traditionally formed the bedrock of the party's support.

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1. [singular] the basic ideas, features, or facts on which something is based:

Marriage and children are the bedrock of family life.

2. [uncountable] solid rock in the ground below soil or sand

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- basis the facts, ideas, things etc from which something can be developed: His work will be used as a basis for future research.
- foundation the thing on which something is based, especially something important that continues for a long time: Their ideas were the foundation for the political system that exists in the UK today. | How can we provide a solid foundation for world peace?
- **bedrock** the most important thing that something depends on in order to be successful: Honesty is the bedrock of any healthy relationship. | Labour's traditional bedrock of support is among the working classes.
- cornerstone the most important thing that something depends on in order to be successful, especially in business and politics: Confidence is the cornerstone of our business. | NATO remains a cornerstone of defence policy for Europe.

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