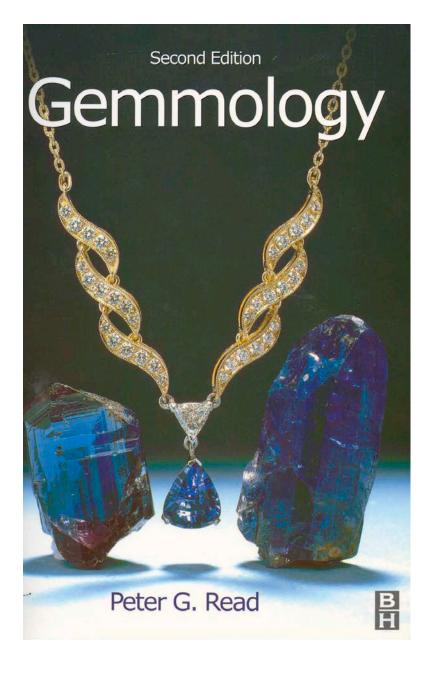
# Gens and Semiprecious Stones

## Welcome





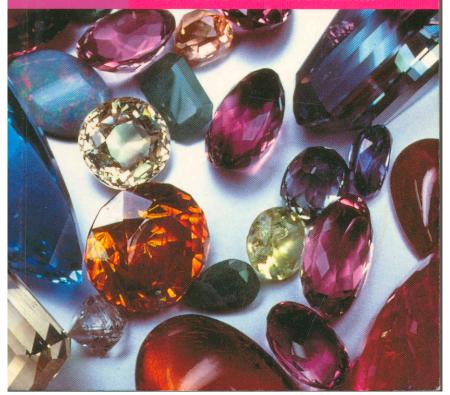
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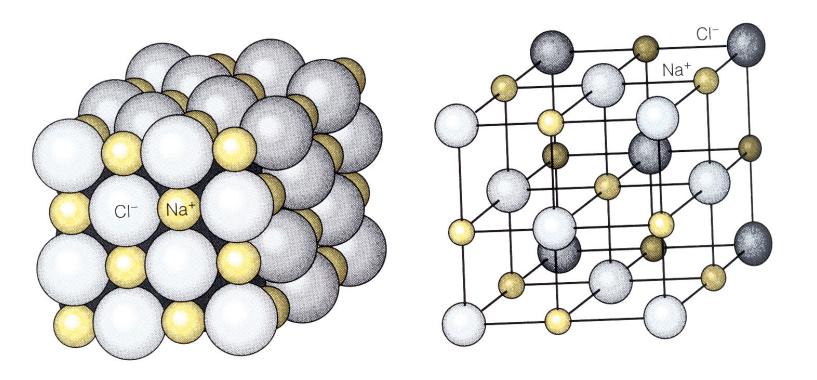
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#### Minerals

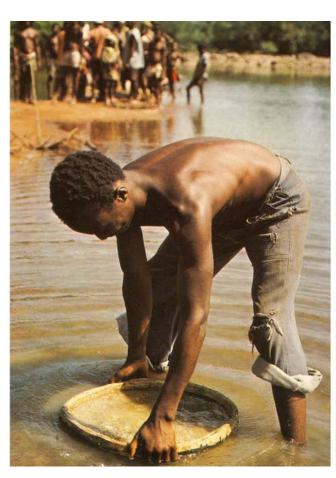
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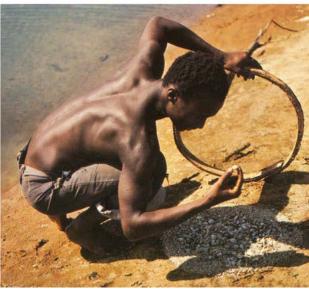


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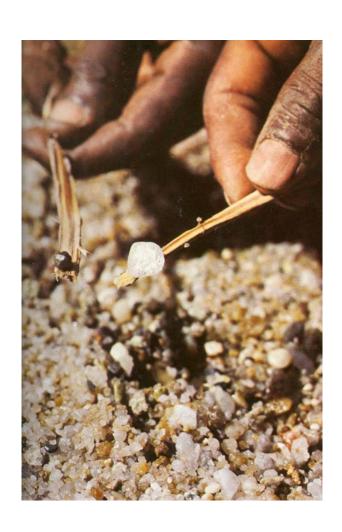


#### Prospecting

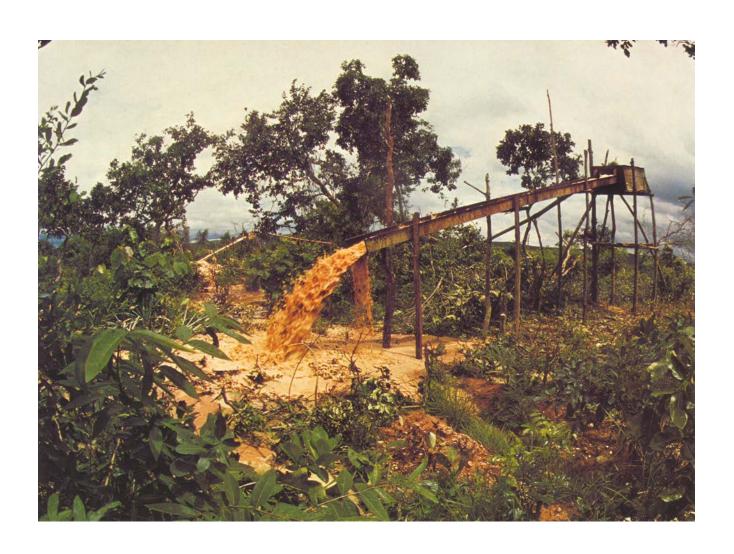




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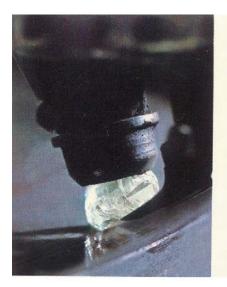
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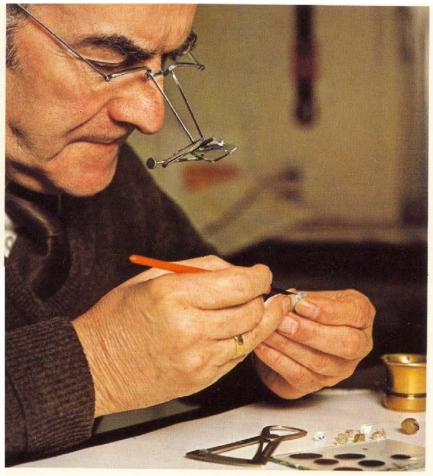


#### Mineral to finished gem



#### Cutting and polishing









#### A rainbow of colors



#### Organic gems: pearls





### Fine jewelry





### Synthetic stones



#### **Simulants**



#### Methods of identification



#### Famous jewel robberies

