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They once started out as silt and sludge and particles of rock.
Then pressure came, and packed them, packed them down.
That's how limestone, shale and coal got into the ground.



Metamorphic, metamorphic, metamorphic rocks have changed.
They once started out as other kinds of rock, though that seems strange.
Then pressure came, and squeezed them, squeezed them tight.
Marble used to be limestone, gneiss was once granite. (say "nice" and "gran-ITE")



I-G-N-E-O-U-S spells igneous, yes igneous.
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