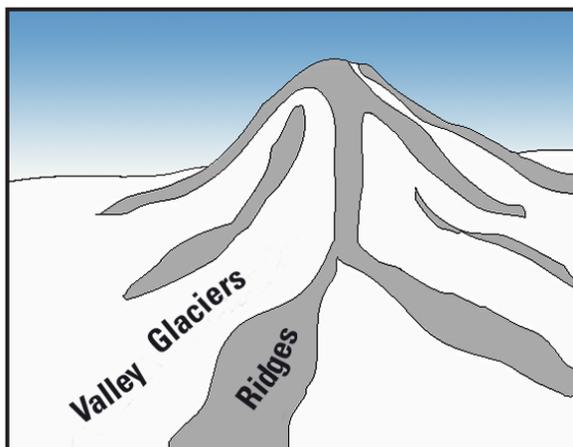
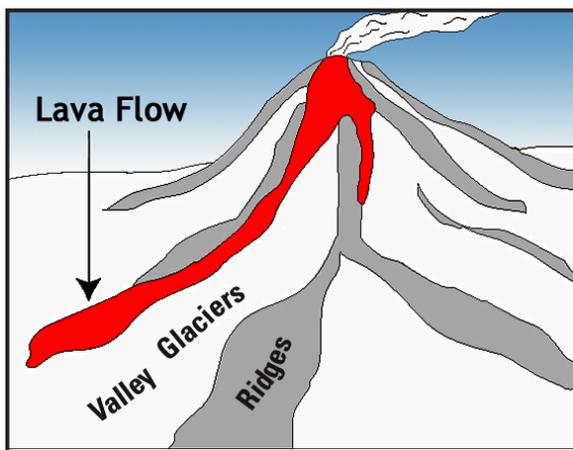


How Lava Ridges are Made



Ice Age glaciation on Mount Rainier

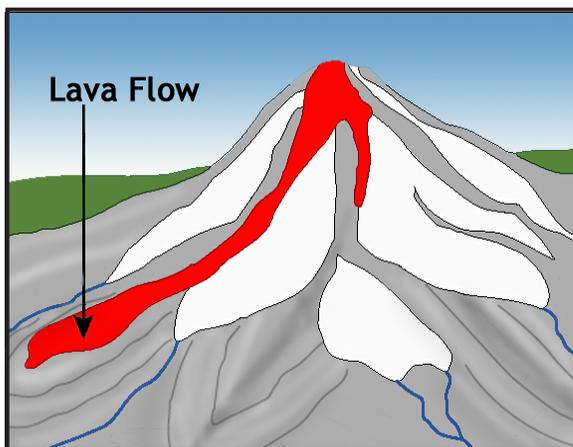
Ice-age glaciers buried much of Mount Rainier. Some rock ridges remained exposed.



Eruption of lava during ice ages.

Some lava flows disintegrated as pyroclastic flows. Others melted holes in the glacier, but later were buried by flowing ice.

This lava flow met little resistance on the rock ridge, and flowed a great distance. It cooled and hardened.



Lava ridges and glaciers today.

Glaciers melted at the end of the ice age. Stack of lava flows remain as ridges.