FROM THE EARTH!

24-karat is the pure variety  
Fortieth wedding anniversary gem  
Used on babies bottoms  
A good stone to find bugs in  
A mineral that's good for cleaning  
November birthstone  
Weathers to green  
There are over a dozen varieties of ___ crystals  
Represents 25 years together  
Good for strong bones  
A girl's best friend  
Irish isle nickname  
___ is a hard stone with many components and varieties  
Jade is a green stone used for ___ and decoration  
Pure ___ is liquid at room temperature  
Opal is the birthstone for ___  
___ is radioactive and occurs naturally in granite  
Used for wrapping food and building airplanes  
February birthstone  
Iron, gold, silver, magnesium, and aluminum are ___  
Used for pencil lead  
___ are natural solids with a crystalline structure  
Black volcanic glass  
Strong, lightweight, corrosion-resistant metal  
Lapis is a blue stone favored by ancient ___  
Lead used to be used in pipes and paint, but is ___  
A blue green color  
'Blue Sea' or March's birthstone

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