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4. What is a stratovolcano?

5. Name two popular things to do at Mt. Fuji.

6. Why do you think Mt. Fuji was named a World Heritage site?

ANSWER KEY

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