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quebrada *nf* fissure or break in a rock | narrow pass | ravine, gorge, gully, draw, small valley | stream, brook | broken, uneven ground

quebradizo,-za *adj* brittle, friable

quebrado,-da *adj* broken, rough, uneven | bankrupt | *nm* fraction | [Cu] channel between reefs

quebrador *nm* crusher | [Méx] ore breaker, ore cobber

quebradura *nf* fracture, break | crack, fissure | ravine | crushing | *q. de cizalladura* shear joint

quebrantador,-dora *adj* crushing | *nm* stone crusher or breaker | tool used for breaking stone

quebradora *nf* crusher | *q. de carbón* coal breaker | *q. de cono* cone crusher | *q. de mandíbula* jaw crusher | *q. de quijadas* jaw crusher | *q. giratoria* gyratory crusher

quebraja *nf* break, crack

quebrajar *vt* to crack, split

quebrantable *adj* brittle

quebrantamiento *nm* breaking, breaking up, breakage, shattering

quebrantar *vt* to break | to crush | to split | to crack | to spall

quebrantarse *vpr* to break, crack, split

quebrantador *nm* stone crusher or breaker | tool used for breaking stone

quebrantura *nf* ravine

quebrar *vt* to break | to cob ore | *vintr* to break

quebrarse *vpr* to break, be broken

quebrazón de veta *nm* [Méx] break in a vein

quedada *nf* [Bol] voluntary overtime by contract workers

quedar determinado *vt* delineated in space

queenstownita *nf* Darwin glass

quelidonia *nf* chelidon

quelonita *nf* pyrite or marcasite with a shape that resembles a tortoise shell

quema *nf* retorting of amalgam | burning, roasting | [Méx] roasting of ore in the *patio* process of amalgamation of silver ore | [Guadalcazár, Méx] calcining of mercury ore in clay retorts

quemadero *nm* [Méx] retort used to recover mercury from amalgam in the *patio* process of amalgamating silver ores

quemado,-da *adj* porcellaneous | *nm* porcellanite | gossan having a burnt

appearance | [Méx] manganese oxide staining | any dark, cindery mineral staining that looks similar to manganese oxide

quemador *nm* [Guadalcazár, Méx] calciner of mercury ores

quemahlita *nf* kemahlite (*obs*, pseudoleucitic micromonzonite)

quemar *vt* to roast or calcine ore | to retort amalgam | *q. piedra* to heat a rock and then break it by plunging in cold water

quemazón *nm* outcrop | [Pachuca, Méx] silver ore in which native silver and silver chlorides are found in a matrix of manganese oxides

queme *nm* retorting of amalgam or mercury ore | [Méx] roasting of ore in the *patio* process of amalgamation of silver ore

quenita *nf* kenyte (*obs*, olivine phonolitic trachyte)

quentalenita *nf* kentallenite (*obs*, augite-olivine monzonite)

queramiquita *nf* keramikite (*obs*, cordierite hyalorhyolite)

queramohalita *nf* alunogen

querargira *nf* cerargyrite

querargirita *nf* cerargyrite

queratófido *nm* keratophyre | *q. cuarcífero* quartz keratophyre

queratófiro *nm* keratophyre

queratoporfirita *nf* keratophyre | *q. cuarzosa* quartz keratophyre

quercyita *nf* carbonate-hydroxylapatite

quermesita *nf* kermesite

querogeno *nm* kerogen

querol *nm* kerol

querosene *nm* kerosene

queroseno *nm* kerosene

queroteno *nm* kerotene

quersantita *nf* kersantite

Quersoneso *nm* Kertch

quesenita *nf* kâsenite (*obs*, pyroxene nepheline carbonatite)

quesilita *nf* azurite

queso *nm* [Méx] small cake of silver resulting from roasting of silver sulfides with litharge in a small clay furnace or *vaso* | [Cerro de Pasco, Pe] pressed cake of amalgam

quespi *nm* [Pe] quartz

quetenita *nf* botryogen

quetzalcoatilita *nf* quetzalcoatilita

quetzalztlí *nm* [Méx] translucent green variety of jade

quevellita *nf* kvellite (*obs*, ultrabazite)

- quiastolita** *nf* chialstolite
- quiebra** *nf* fault, fracture, break, fissure | breaking or crushing of ore | bankruptcy, failure
- quieselgur** *nm* kieselguhr
- quijo** *nm* gangue or matrix, generally quartzose | gold- or silver-bearing quartz | *q. azucarado*. [Hualgáyoc, Pe] very finely crystalline, sugary quartz | *q. de hierro* gossan | *q. podrido* [Pe] porous quartz often containing gold
- quilatador** *nm* assayer (of gold or silver)
- quilatar** *vtr* to assay (gold or silver)
- quilate** *nm* carat | a weight of 4 *granos*, the third part of a *tomin* | *oro de 18 quilates* 18 carat gold
- quilaveita** *nf* kilaveite (*obs*, olivine-magnetite basalt)
- quilita** *nf* kyllite (*obs*, olivine theralite)
- quilo** *nm* kilo, kilogram
- quilogramo** *nm* kilogram
- quilolino** *nm* kiloline
- quilómetro** *nm* kilometer
- quillo** *nm* [Pe] pyrite
- quimbalete** *nm* [Pe] large stone used in hand grinding of ore
- quimberlita** *nf* kimberlite
- química** *nf* chemistry | chemist | *q. geológica* geochemistry | *q. inorgánica* inorganic chemistry | *q. mineral* inorganic chemistry | *q. orgánica* organic chemistry
- químico,-ca** *adj* chemical | *nm* chemical | *q. geológico* geochemist
- quimismo** *nm* chemism
- quinceno** *nm* a fifteenth, the amount of colonial silver production taken by the Royal Treasury to pay for mercury and salt issued to *minera* on credit
- quincita** *nf* quincite (pink sepiolite) | quinzite (rose-colored common opal)
- quine** *nm* Kinne diabase (*obs*, olivine diabase)
- quintal** *nm* hundredweight | a weight equivalent to 4 *arrobas* | fifth part of 100 | [Almadén, Sp] weight of ore found in an ordinary *espuerta terrera* | *q. métrico* 100 kilograms
- quintalaje** *nm* [Ch] weight in quintals
- quintear** *vtr* [Bol] to sort or cob ore by hand
- quiroguita** *nf* [Sierra Almagrera, Sp] antimonial galena
- quirunavaarita** *nf* magnetinite
- quiselgur** *nm* kieselguhr
- quisqueita** *nf* [Quisque, Pe] quisqueite (*var* asphaltite)
- quitar** *vtr* to remove | to take away | to extract, separate | *q. el mineral* remove or extract ore | *q. las impurezas a un mineral* separate waste from ore, concentrate ore
- quitarse** *vpr* to be removed, taken away, extracted, separated
- quintar** *vtr* to tax by taking a portion by weight or value of refined metal produced | *q. del diezmo* to tax at the rate of one tenth
- quinto** *nm* a fifth, tax levied on refined metal production | [Linares, Sp] one lead-smelting operation of a *boliche* furnace
- quinto real** *nm* old Spanish colonial tax on mines originally set at a fifth or 20 percent, but later reduced
- quitina** *nf* chitin
- quitinoso,-sa** *adj* chitinous
- quitón** *nm* chiton
- quitzalitzli** *nm* [Méx] a green, translucent jade
- quivita** *nf* kivite (*obs*, olivine-leucite basanite)