

The diagram illustrates the formation of an unconformity through four stages:

- Top incomplete:** Shows a cross-section of a rock unit with a wavy, irregular top surface, indicating an incomplete top layer.
- Bedding plane:** Shows a cross-section of a rock unit with a wavy, irregular top surface. A horizontal line is drawn across the middle, labeled "Bedding plane".
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