



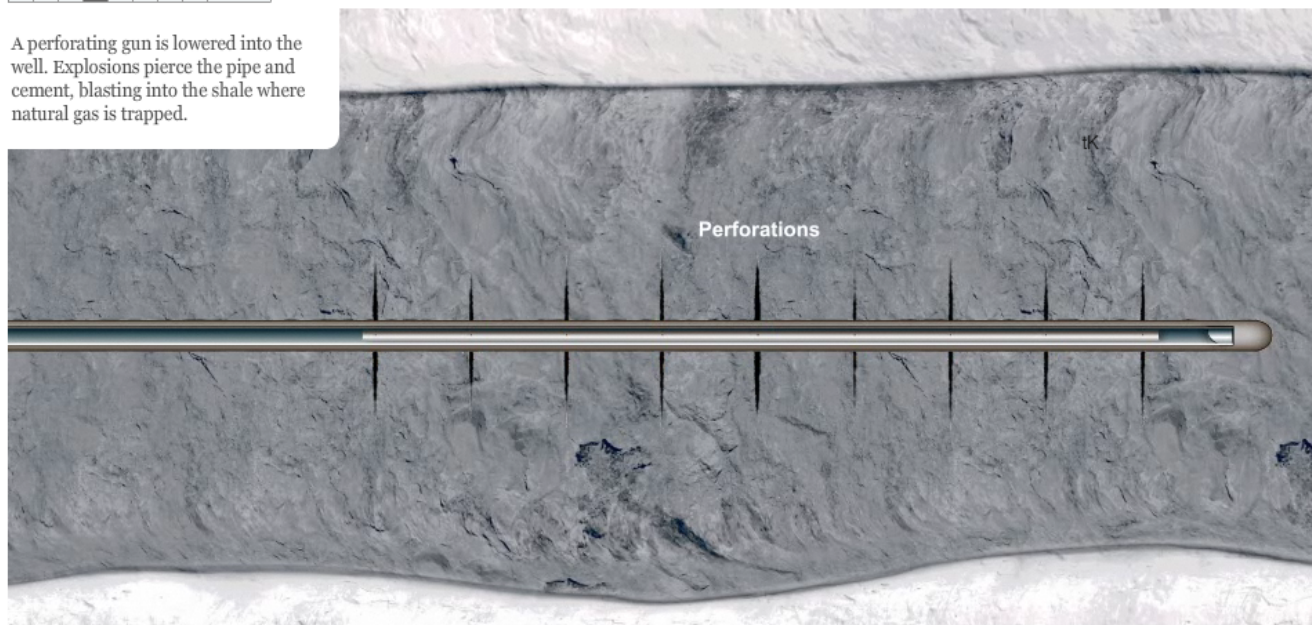
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Extracting Natural Gas From Rock

A look at the process and hazards of hydraulic fracturing.

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A perforating gun is lowered into the well. Explosions pierce the pipe and cement, blasting into the shale where natural gas is trapped.



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