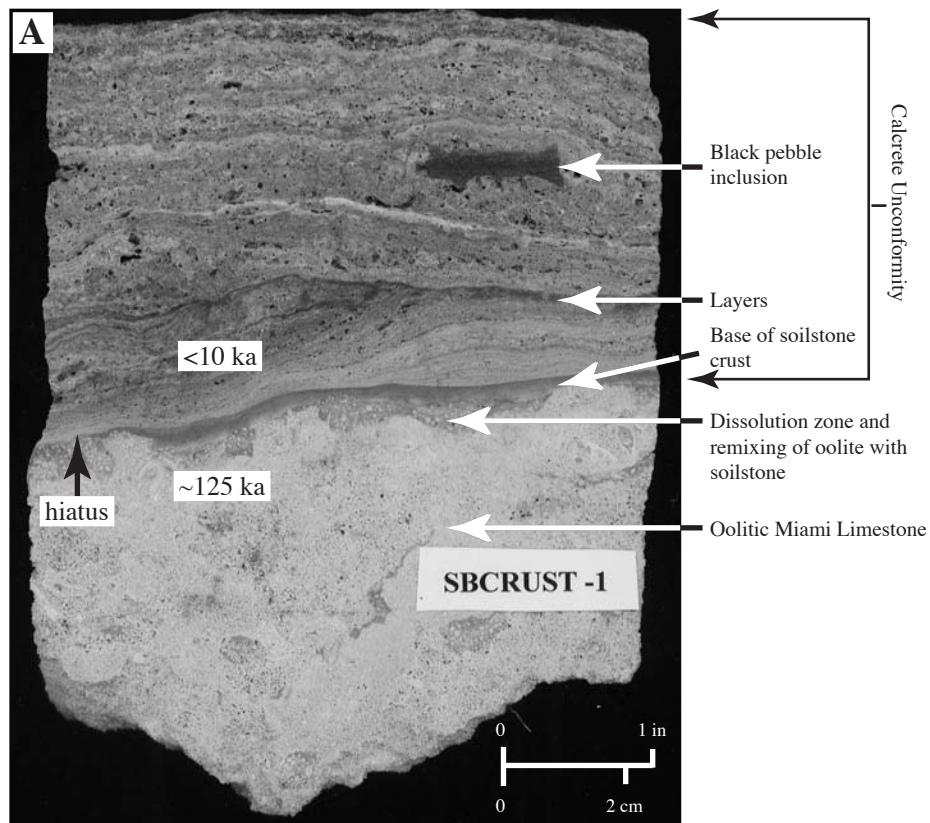




B Scientific Terms for Time		
ka	thousand years thousand years old thousand years ago thousand years long	Holocene Epoch = 10 ka to present
hiatus	time interval not represented by rocks; results in an unconformity wherein a rock unit is overlain by another that is not next in stratigraphic succession—missing rocks leave a gap in the geologic record	Hiatus in sample (A) represents a gap of more than 115 ka between the Pleistocene and Holocene rock records on the Florida reef tract
Ma	million years million years old million years ago million years long	Pleistocene Epoch = 1.8 Ma to 10 ka

Figure 7.