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Fossils

_____: evidence that an organism once existed in an area

_____: describes a species of animals that once lived on Earth but which no longer exists

_____: extremely old

_____: from a time before human history was recorded

_____: scientist who studies fossils and the fossil record

What do fossils teach us about? _____

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How do paleontologists use fossils? _____

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How can we tell the age of fossils? _____

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What are the 5 steps for making a fossil?

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What makes good fossils? _____

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What does NOT make good fossils? _____

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_____: the actual plant or animal has been preserved; body fossils

_____: the imprint of an organism, left behind in rock; trace fossils

_____: a mold that was filled in with sediment and then hardened into rock

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