VOCABULARY: Topic 5

1 Look and write the materials and fossil nouns.

Materials
amber
carbon
mineral
mud
sand
sediment
tar

Fossil Nouns
cast
footprint
fossil
impression
mold
trace

1. A _____ is the remains or trace of a prehistoric plant or animal. Often the remains were covered by _____. Some examples of sediment are _____ at the bottom of a lake or ocean, and _____, or wet dirt. Over millions of years, it becomes solid rock.

2. Over time, the remains disappear, leaving an empty _____ in the rock. This is called a _____ fossil. If water and _____ get into the space, it forms a _____ fossil.

3. Sometimes, whole animals or plants were preserved when they got stuck in different materials, such as yellow or orange _____ from tree resin, sticky black _____ or even ice.

4. _____ fossils aren't the remains of animals or plants, but they do show that these living things existed. The _____ in this picture are a good example.

5. All living things contain _____. Even when the other remains of a plant or animal are gone, this material persists. That is how a carbon-film fossil forms.

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