

STEM

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Title: Can You Dig It?

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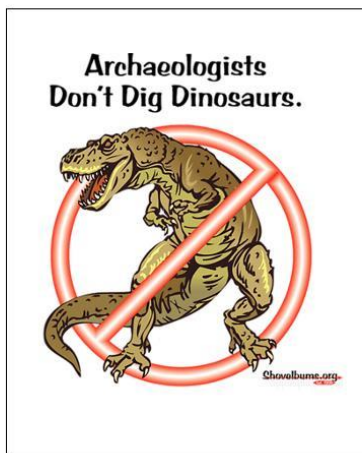
Background:

How do we know about people who lived in ancient times? If people didn't leave behind any written records, how do we know what gods they worshiped, what food they ate, or what clothes they wore?

One of the ways we know about people who lived long ago is through **archaeology**: the study of past life through what's been left behind.

An **archaeologist** might find a pot, a grave, or the remains of a building. Each discovery is like a piece of a puzzle. The archaeologist works to put these pieces together to create a picture of what life was like long ago.

An **archaeologist** studies human artifacts. A **paleontologist** studies fossils. Students often confuse the two but:



Kinder-6:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zOJICdMvWAI>

Activity:

Visit archeological digs virtually (including Johnson's Island in Ohio)

<https://www.interactivedigs.com/>

Archeological Vocab Crossword