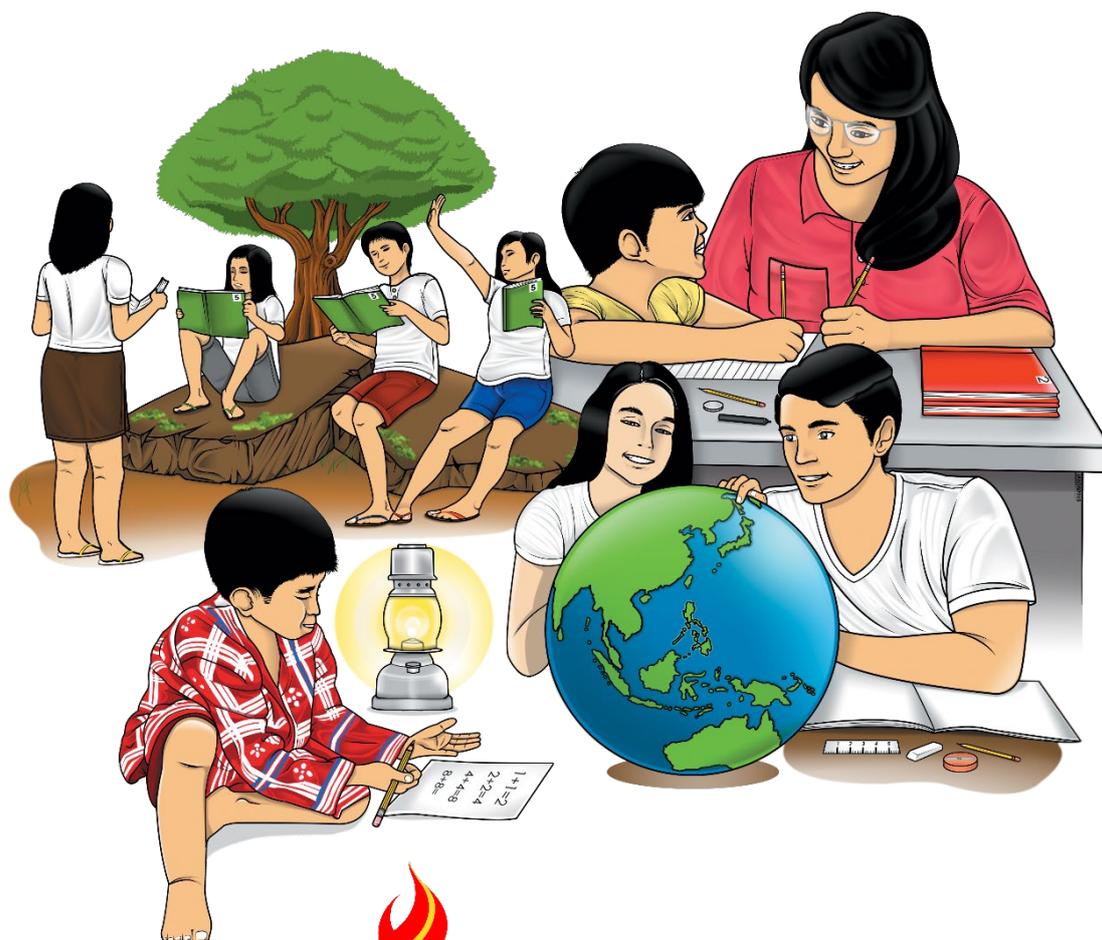


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Introductory Message

This Self-Learning Module (SLM) is prepared so that you, our dear learners, can continue your studies and learn while at home. Activities, questions, directions, exercises, and discussions are carefully stated for you to understand each lesson.

Each SLM is composed of different parts. Each part shall guide you step-by-step as you discover and understand the lesson prepared for you.

Pre-tests are provided to measure your prior knowledge on lessons in each SLM. This will tell you if you need to proceed on completing this module or if you need to ask your facilitator or your teacher's assistance for better understanding of the lesson. At the end of each module, you need to answer the post-test to self-check your learning. Answer keys are provided for each activity and test. We trust that you will be honest in using these.

In addition to the material in the main text, Notes to the Teacher are also provided to our facilitators and parents for strategies and reminders on how they can best help you on your home-based learning.

Please use this module with care. Do not put unnecessary marks on any part of this SLM. Use a separate sheet of paper in answering the exercises and tests. And read the instructions carefully before performing each task.

If you have any questions in using this SLM or any difficulty in answering the tasks in this module, do not hesitate to consult your teacher or facilitator.

Thank you.



What I Need to Know

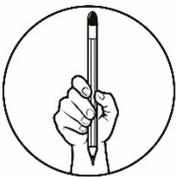
This module was designed and written with you in mind. It is here to help you master the nature of Biology. The scope of this module permits it to be used in many different learning situations. The language used recognizes the diverse vocabulary level of students. The lessons are arranged to follow the standard sequence of the course. But the order in which you read them can be changed to correspond with the textbook you are now using.

The module covers:

- Lesson 1 – Geologic Timeline

After going through this module, you are expected to:

1. Describe how the Earth's history can be interpreted from the geologic time scale.
2. Define fossils and its type.
3. Determine the guide fossils that are used to define and identify subdivision of the geologic time scale.
4. Track the Earth's history using the geologic time scale.
5. Identify the different divisions in the geologic time scale.



What I Know

Choose the letter of the best answer. Write the chosen letter on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Which of the following does NOT belong to Paleozoic Era?
 - A. Cambrian
 - B. Devonian
 - C. Jurassic
 - D. Ordovician
2. What do you call the remains or evidence used as markers when building up the geologic time scale?
 - A. fossil
 - B. minerals
 - C. piles of rock
 - D. sandstone

3. Why do most of the eons and eras end in “zoic”?
 - A. because these time periods were recognized by the plants present at that time
 - B. because these time periods were recognized by the animal life present at that time
 - C. A and B
 - D. none of the above

4. In what type of rocks are fossils made up of?
 - A. igneous rock
 - B. metamorphic rock
 - C. sedimentary rock
 - D. all of the above

5. What do you call the person who studies fossils and ancient life?
 - A. anthropologist
 - B. archeologist
 - C. biologist
 - D. paleontologist

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 - C. fragmentation
 - D. metamorphosis

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 - A. They were able to arrange the fossils according to age.
 - B. They were able to arrange the fossils according to structure.
 - C. They were able to arrange the fossils according to chemical content.
 - D. They were able to arrange the fossils according to place of discovery.

8. In what era did the rocks with fossils of animals and plants such as dinosaurs, mammals, and trees form?
 - A. Cenozoic Era
 - B. Mesozoic Era
 - C. Paleozoic Era
 - D. Phanerozoic Era

9. In what era did the first skeletal elements, soft-bodies metazoans, and animal traces exist?
 - A. Cenozoic Era
 - B. Late Proterozoic
 - C. Mesozoic Era
 - D. Paleozoic Era

10. What period the first mammals and dinosaurs existed?
- A. Cretaceous
 - B. Jurassic
 - C. Permian
 - D. Triassic
11. In Paleozoic Era, in what period did the first vascular land plant exist?
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- A. crinoids
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Lesson

1

Geologic Timeline

Fossils are the remains or evidence of prehistoric plants and animals that have fossilized. Fossils were used as markers when building up the geologic time scale. The names of most of the eons and eras end in “zoic”, because these time periods were recognized by the animal life present at the time. Rocks formed during the Proterozoic Eon have fossil evidence of simple organisms, such as bacteria, algae, and wormlike animals. In the Phanerozoic Eon, the rocks formed have fossils of animals and plants such as dinosaurs, mammals, and trees.

And with that, geologists have developed the geological time scale, which divides the Earth’s history into eons that are subdivided into eras, which are further divided into periods and then into epochs. The geologic time scale is the “calendar” for events in Earth’s history. It subdivides all time since the end of the Earth’s formative period as a planet (nearly 4 billion years ago) into named units of abstract time: in descending order of duration, which are eons, eras, periods, and epochs.

The geologic time scale provides a system of chronologic measurement relating stratigraphy to time that is used by geologists, paleontologists, and other Earth scientists to describe the timing and relationships between events that have occurred during the history of the Earth. The detailed studies made of rocks throughout the world have allowed geologists to correlate rock units globally, and break them into time units. The result is the Geologic Time Scale, usually presented in a chart like form with the oldest event and time unit at the bottom and the youngest at the top.



What’s In

Activity 1

Review the vocabulary words and complete the activity on the other side of this worksheet.

1. **Fossils** – remains of ancient life that have been turned to stone
2. **Body Fossils** – actual parts of plants and animals that have been turned to stone (i.e. bone, shells, leaves)
3. **Coprolite** – fossilized dinosaur dung (scat)
4. **Fossilization** – process by which the remains of ancient living things are turned to rock
5. **Paleontologist** – a scientist who studies fossils and ancient life
6. **Sedimentary Rock** – rock made of layers of tightly packed sand and clay

7. **Sandstone** – a type of sedimentary rock that is made of sand
8. **Trace Fossil** – a fossilized sign that a plant or animal once lived in an area (i.e. footprints, coprolite)
9. **Porous** – full of tiny holes that water, air, and light can pass through
10. **Mineralization** – to convert into a mineral substance; to fill with a mineral substance

Instructions: Fill in the blanks, using vocabulary words.

Jay, a famous **p** _____ **t**, was hiking in the Cordillera mountains searching for **f** _____, which are remains of ancient life that have turned to stone. All of a sudden, the ground shook beneath him. Jay ran over a hill and saw that there had been a huge landslide. He went over to look at the piles of rocks and saw layers of s _____ **s** _____, a type of sedimentary rock. Fossils are found in sandstone, so Jay was excited to search through the rocks! Just as he began to dig, he found fossilized bones. The bones had turned to stone through a process called _____ **s s** _____. Jay saw that the fossils belonged to an Apatosaurus. These bones are examples of **b** _____ **i l** _____, which are fossilized parts of plants and animals. Jay hiked further up the mountain and found fossilized dinosaur dung, called **c** _____. He also found a huge footprint, which is an example of a **t** _____ **f** _____. Jay carefully removed the fossils from the rocks and donated them to a museum.

Activity 2: Find Me

Directions. Encircle the 8 words listed below. Words may appear straight across, back-word straight across, up, and down.

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PALEONTOLOGIST

FOSSILS

MINERALIZATION

SEDIMENTARY

SANDSTONE

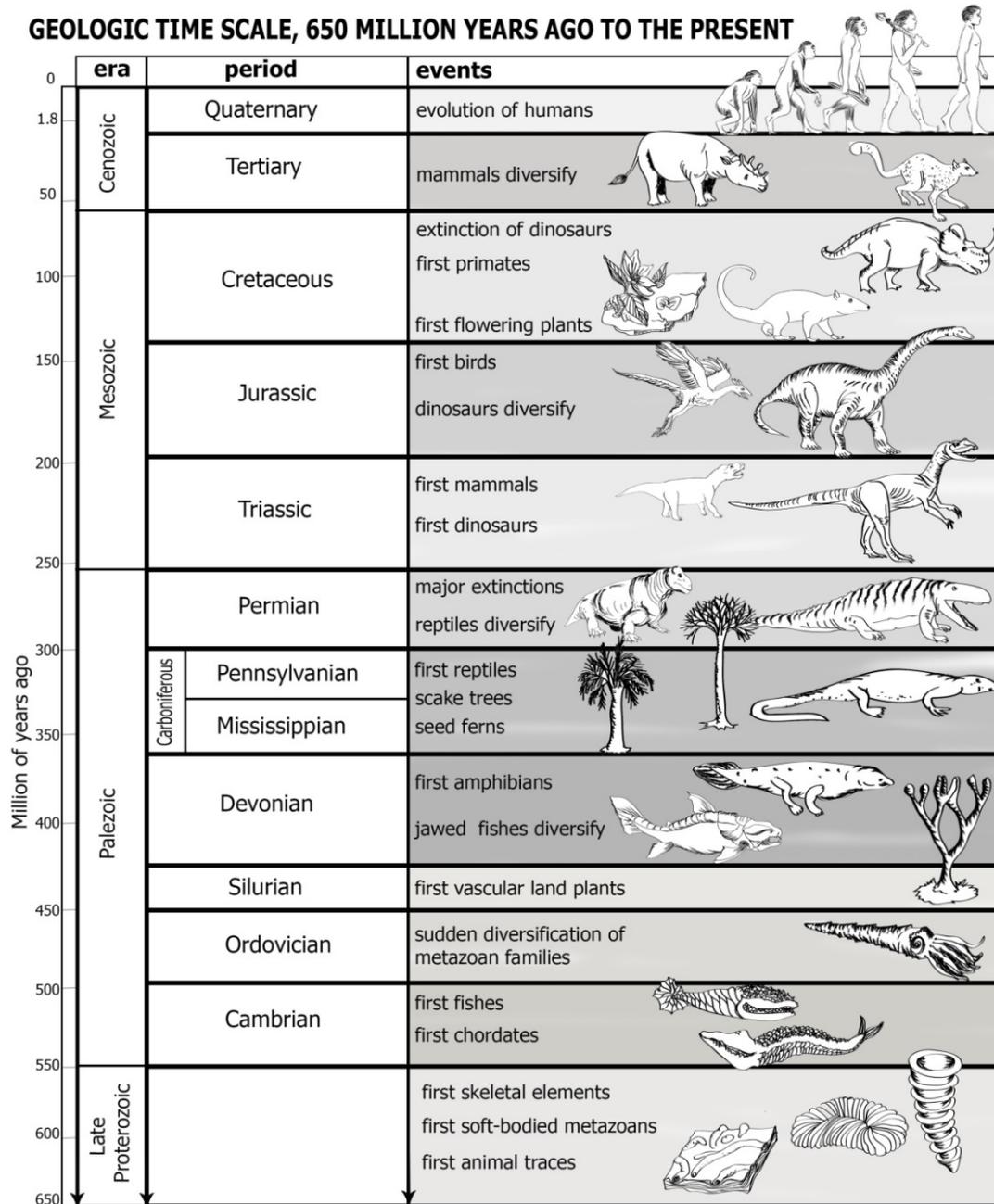
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Activity 3: Let's Trace

Look and analyze at the illustration below and answer the question listed below.



1. For how long has there been life on Earth?

2. For what percentage of time has life existed on Earth (round to the nearest whole number)?

3. For about how many years of geological time have humans existed on Earth?

4. For about how many years of geological time have the dinosaurs existed on Earth?

5. Did dinosaurs exist at the same time as humans?

6. How do scientists determine when an era begins and when it ends?

7. What is the purpose of making a geological timeline?



Notes to the Teacher

This module will help you understand the concepts about animal reproduction. All parts are comprised of activities. Be guided with the instructions on how you will answer each. Expectedly, you will meet the target at the end of the module.



What's New

The Story of Fossils by Patti Hutchison

Imagine you are hiking in the woods. As you walk up a steep hill, you find a fossil. It is a mold of many tiny seashells. What would seashells be doing in the middle of the woods?

Most fossils are found in sedimentary rocks. These rocks form on the surface of the earth. They record the processes that have happened on the surface, including life. Scientists are able to arrange fossils according to age. This is called the fossil record. By studying the fossil record, scientists have found that the earth and its life forms have gone through many changes in the past.

Fossils have taught us how and when rock layers have formed. They have also helped scientists learn about life forms that have come and gone. Fossils have even taught us about the climate of the earth long ago.

The Geologic Time Scale is divided into huge blocks of time called eras. Eras are defined by major changes in the fossils found in the sedimentary rock layers that were formed during those time spans.

Activity 4

Directions: Read the story entitled **“The Story of Fossil”** by *Patti Hutchison*. Answer the guide questions stated below.

1. In what type of rocks are FOSSILS made of?

2. How do scientists arrange discovered fossils?

3. How did fossils help and teach scientist about the history of the earth?

4. Aside from geological aspect, what other aspects can be predicted by guide fossils? How? (climatic, organismic etc.)



What is It

Activity 5

Read and analyze the statements below. Write T if the statement is TRUE and F if the statement is FALSE.

- _____ 1. Scientists determine when an era begins and when it ends through geological timeline.
- _____ 2. Dinosaurs exist at the same time as humans.
- _____ 3. The purpose of making a geological timeline is to identify age of organism through its fossils.
- _____ 4. Quaternary period of geological time has humans evolved on Earth.
- _____ 5. Triassic Period of geological time have the dinosaurs existed on Earth.



What's More

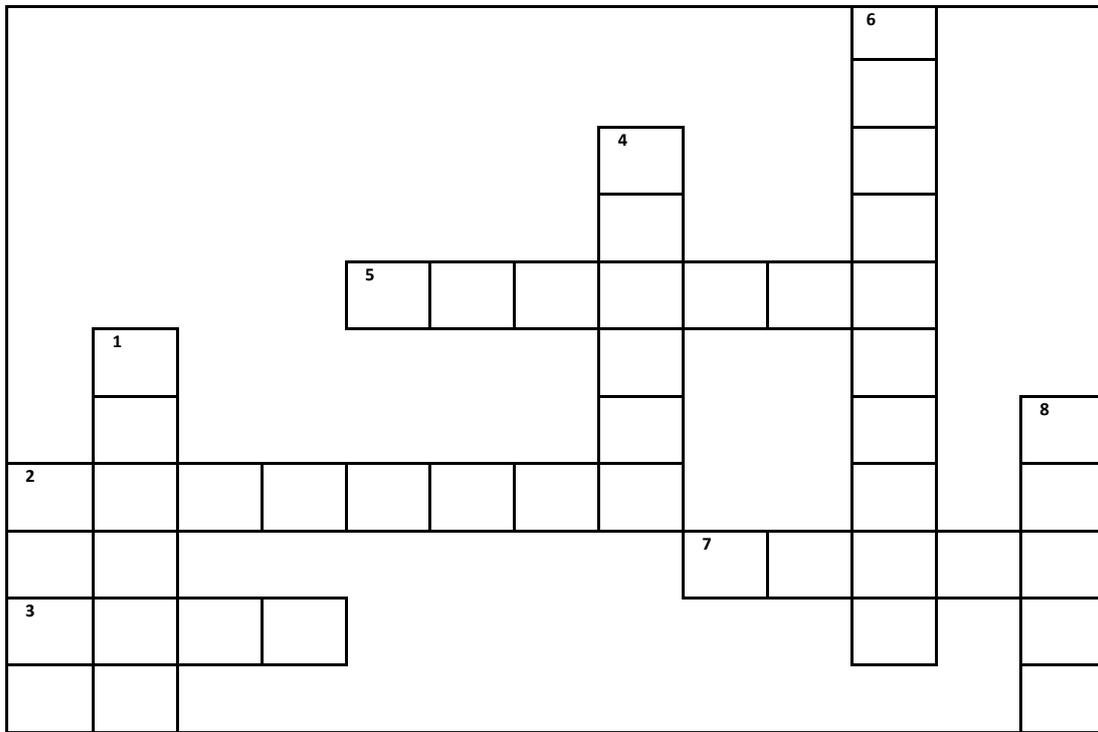
Activity 6

Directions: Write the division and period of the listed organism below. Refer to geological time scale.

	Era	Period
1. first vascular land plants	_____	_____
2. jawed fish diversity	_____	_____
3. evolution of humans	_____	_____
4. first chordates	_____	_____
5. mammals diversify	_____	_____
6. first primates	_____	_____
7. dinosaurs' diversity	_____	_____
8. major extinctions of reptiles' diversity	_____	_____
9. sudden diversification of metazoan families	_____	_____
10. first flowering plants	_____	_____

Activity 7: Crossword Puzzle

Directions. Complete the crossword by filling in the word that describes each clue.



Across:

2. a term used with two symmetrical shells - mirror images of each other.
3. the term "crinoid" means
5. type of proteins that make up the skin, hair and nails.
7. multicellular organisms in the sea that often live in colonies and served as habitat of marine organisms

Down:

1. exoskeletons are made up of this material
4. common slow-moving gastropod lived inside their shells
6. phylum where starfish and sea urchins belong
8. individuality of coral is called ____.



What I Have Learned

Fill in the blanks. Read and analyze the statements below. Write the word that will complete the sentence/paragraph.

1. _____ are the remains or evidence of prehistoric plants and animals that have fossilized.
2. Fossils were used as markers when building up the geologic time scale. The names of most of the eons and eras end in “zoic” because these time periods were recognized by the _____ present at the time.
3. The geologic time scale is the “calendar” for events in Earth’s history. It subdivides all time since the end of the Earth’s formative period as a planet (nearly 4 billion years ago) into named units of abstract time: in descending order of duration, which are _____, _____, _____ and _____.
4. The _____ provides a system of chronologic measurement relating stratigraphy to time that is used by geologists, paleontologists and other Earth scientists to describe the timing and relationships between events that have occurred during the history of the Earth.
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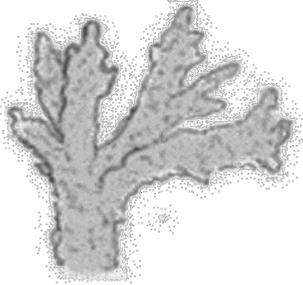


What I Can Do

Activity 7

There are tables of fossils presented below. In the first box, choose an example and draw its physical structure. Second box and third box are references that serve as your guide to choose what organism you prefer to draw. Check the example. Good luck!

Example:

	<p>Branching Tabulate Coral Age: Devonian (approximately 416 to 359 million years ago) Class: Anthozoa Modern Relatives: Corals still exists today.</p>	<p>Branching Tabulate Coral is a marine animal. Corals are multicellular organisms that often live in colonies. The individual animal is called a polyp. There are many different species of coral, with different forms, shapes, and sizes.</p>
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<p>1.</p>	<p>TRILOBITE Age: Devonian (approximately 416 to 359 million year ago) Phylum: Arthropod Modern Relatives: Crabs, Spiders and insects</p>	<p>Trilobites were marine arthropods. The first trilobites show up in the fossil record dating back to about 525 million years ago. There were many different types of trilobites, ranging in size from 1mm to 72mm (28 inches long!) Trilobite species went extinct by 250 million years ago. Trilobite fossils are formed from the exoskeletons. These were made of chitin, like some insects and others organisms like lobsters. They split apart and shed their shell as they grow, just like lobsters do.</p>
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2.	<p>Crinoid Age: Devonian (approximately 416 to 359 million years ago) Phylum: Echinoderm Modern Relatives: Starfish, sea urchins and sea cucumbers</p>	<p>Crinoids were marine animals. Its name means “Lily”. It is in the same phylum (Echinoderm) as starfish and sea urchins. Crinoids ate by filtering food out of the water with its arms. Its mouth and anus were next to each other in the calyx. It “rooted” in place with a holdfast. When crinoids die, their stems quickly break apart. The most common fossils of crinoids are the stem which is sometimes broken into little “cheerio” like pieces.</p>
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3.	<p>Gastropod Age: Cretaceous (Approximately 146 to 65 million years ago) Phylum: Mollusk Modern Relatives: Snails, Slugs and Whelks</p>	<p>Gastropods were marine animals. There were many different species of gastropods. All had coiled shells, but some were tightly coiled while some were loosely coiled. They had many different shapes and surface texture. The animals lived inside their shells, taking up the whole inside of the long shell. They could retract into their shells, covering the opening with their foot.</p>
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4.	<p>Fossil Clam Age: Cretaceous (approximately 146 to 65 million years ago) Class: Bivalve Modern Relatives: Oysters, Scallops and Mussels</p>	<p>Fossil clams are marine animals. Clams are bivalves, with two symmetrical shells - the shells are mirror images of each other. Fossil clams range in size from a few millimeters to up to 2 meters (about 6 feet) in diameter. Clams lived inside their shells and had a muscular foot they used to borrow and move around. They lived in colonies on the ocean floor. Some clams had smooth shells while some were rough.</p>
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Assessment

Multiple Choice. Choose the letter of the best answer. Write the chosen letter on a separate sheet of paper.

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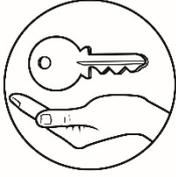
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Additional Activities

Do you think that the average annual global temperature and carbon dioxide levels have been consistent throughout the history of earth? Justify your answer.



Answer Key

<p style="text-align: center;">Assessment</p> <p>1. A 2. B 3. A 4. D 5. B 6. B 7. D 8. B 9. C 10. D 11. D 12. A 13. B 14. C 15. D</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">What's in</p> <p>Activity 1 Paleontologist Fossils Sandstone Fossilization Body fossils Coprolite Trace fossil</p> <p>Activity 2 1. Answer may vary according to student's perception</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">What I Know</p> <p>1. C 2. A 3. B 4. C 5. D 6. B 7. A 8. D 9. B 10. D 11. D 12. B 13. A 14. D 15. B</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">What's New</p> <p>Activity 3 Answer may vary according to student's perception</p> <p>Activity 4 Answer may vary according to student's perception</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">What's It</p> <p>Activity 5 1. T 2. F 3. T 4. T 5. F</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">What's More</p> <p>Activity 6 1. Paleozoic - Silurian 2. Paleozoic - Devonian 3. Cenozoic - Quaternary 4. Paleozoic - Cambrian 5. Cenozoic - Tertiary 6. Mesozoic - Cretaceous 7. Mesozoic - Jurassic 8. Paleozoic - Permian 9. Paleozoic - Ordovician 10. Mesozoic - Cretaceous</p> <p>Activity 7 Across 2. Bivalves 3. Lily 5. Keratin 7. Coral Down 1. Chitin 4. Snails 6. Echinoderm 8. Polyp</p>

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