

Little Explorers of the Past

Archaeology · Practice Test · 12 Questions

1. What is the specific tool often used by archaeologists to gently brush away dirt from delicate artifacts?

- A) A metal shovel
- B) A soft paintbrush
- C) A garden rake
- D) A heavy hammer

2. What do we call the preserved remains or impressions of ancient plants or animals found in rock?

- A) A fossil
- B) A shiny rock
- C) A piece of glass
- D) A plastic toy

3. Which of these items are archaeologists most likely to find buried in the ground because it lasts for a very long time?

- A) A banana peel
- B) A wooden stick
- C) A broken clay pot
- D) A paper napkin

4. What is the name for the study of human history through the excavation of sites and the analysis of artifacts?

- A) Astronomy
- B) Biology
- C) Archaeology
- D) Chemistry

5. Why do archaeologists use a grid system to map out a dig site?

- A) To play a game
- B) To keep their clothes clean
- C) To know exactly where each object was found
- D) To hide the site from others

6. What is a 'midden' in archaeology?

- A) A pile of ancient trash or food scraps
- B) A secret treasure chest
- C) A type of ancient hat
- D) A place where kings slept

7. Which material is an archaeologist most likely to find intact after thousands of years in the ground?

- A) Cotton fabric
- B) Stone tools
- C) Flowers
- D) Soft fruit

8. What is the term for a person who studies ancient human history and prehistory through excavation?

- A) An architect
- B) An archaeologist
- C) A chef
- D) An astronaut

9. What does an archaeologist do with an artifact after carefully digging it up?

- A) Throw it away
- B) Clean and document it
- C) Use it as a toy
- D) Paint it a new color

10. What are ancient drawings found on cave walls called?

- A) Modern art
- B) Cave paintings
- C) Graffiti
- D) Blueprints

11. If an archaeologist finds layers of soil, where is the oldest layer usually located?

- A) At the very top
- B) In the middle
- C) At the very bottom
- D) Inside a tree

12. Which of these would be considered an 'artifact' by an archaeologist?

- A) A living bird
- B) A manufactured tool made by humans
- C) A wild flower
- D) A rain cloud