

FOSSIL

IDENTITY CARD

Marine
(Sea)



1. Coral (solitary)



2. Coral (colonial)



3. Bryozoa



4. Crinoids



5. Brachiopod



6. Goniatite



7. Bivalve

Terrestrial
(Land)



8. 'Tree' bark



WHAT IS A FOSSIL?

A fossil is the preserved remains of a plant or animal that over millions of years has turned to solid rock.

WHERE ARE FOSSILS FOUND?

Almost all fossils are found in sedimentary rocks (see Rock Identification Card). They are most commonly found in rocks that formed under marine (sea) conditions, especially limestone and mudstone, but they can be found in rocks that formed under terrestrial (land) conditions such as sandstone.

CAN I REMOVE FOSSILS?

No! Please do NOT remove fossils unless they are loose, such as beach pebbles. Fossils are a record of life on our planet so please leave them where you find them so that others can enjoy them as well.



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