

## Excavating Your Rubbish

This activity gives you the chance of being an archaeologist digging up objects, recording the finds, and analysing them. It aims to encourage you to reflect on your living and image what future archaeologists might think of your home and habits.

### You will need:

- A bin of rubbish or recyclables (Note: **Kitchen and toilet waste are not preferred. Have a grown-up check the rubbish before you start**)
- Gloves
- Pen or pencils

### You can start digging. Here's how.

- Print the artefact record sheet(s) or try drawing your own.
- Wear gloves to avoid touching sharp or dirty objects.
- Remove objects from the bin piece by piece and layer by layer.
- Record each of them on the artefact record sheet.
- Wash your hands after finishing your digging.





## Artefact Record Sheet

Name of archaeologist:

Date of excavation:

Location of excavation:

<b>Object name/ type</b>	<b>Observations</b> (Describe the object, such as its colour, height, and any patterns. Try drawing the object)	<b>Analysis</b> (How was the object used before? Who threw it away? Why was it thrown?)

## Artefact Record Sheet – Continued

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