Fossils

- 1. Provide a brief definition of each of the following terms:
 - a. Geology
 - **b.** Fossils
 - c. Catastrophism
 - d. Paleobotany, Paleontology
- 2. Draw, make a model or include a photograph the following:
 - a. Radiolaria
 - b. Crinoid, Graptolite
 - c. Trilobite
 - d. Dinosaur
 - e. Mastodon, Mammoth
 - f. Brachiopod, Pelecypod
 - g. Lingula
- 3. Explain the characteristics of the Paleozoic, Cenozoic, Mesozoic and Pleistocene eras. Place them in chronological order. Explain why Creationists use these terms.
- 4. Describe the process of the proper removal of delicate specimens. Tell how a skeleton of a dinosaur or other gigantic fossil would be removed. Why should beginners not remove such specimens? What should be done by the beginner when he finds what is obviously a valuable fossil?
- 5. Explain the difference in the account scientists give for the presence of fossils as related by evolutionists and creationists.
- 6. From the Bible and writings of Ellen G. White, cite statements to explain the origin of fossils.
- 7. Research five fossil ancestors of animals living today. How do the fossil ancestors compare and contrast with modern animals?
- 8. Do two of the following:
 - **a.** Spend time searching for fossils and attempting to identify them. Bring them in to show your Pathfinder Club.
 - **b.** Make a plant or animal fossil model with plaster, clay or other medium.
 - **c.** Visit a museum where fossils are on display and make a written or oral report of your trip.
- 9. Make a collection of at least ten different kinds of fossils and label each with its name and geographic location. Classify them as impression, mineralized, trace or preserved organic material.
- 10. Prepare a parable or short spiritual lesson based on fossils using what has been learned in this honor.

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