Fossil Collecting Worksheet

*Watch the video **"Fossil Collecting"**, then answer the questions below!*

1. **Why are fossils important?**
   A. They help build new land
   B. They tell stories about ancient life
   C. They are used to make tools
   D. They create energy sources

2. **What makes fossils in the Fernie region special?**
   A. They are part of BC's natural heritage and found locally
   B. They are all underwater fossils
   C. They are only found in museums
   D. They are all brand new discoveries

3. **What happens if a fossil is damaged or removed without permission?**
   A. It becomes more valuable
   B. It is repaired naturally over time
   C. That piece of history is lost forever
   D. It turns into a new fossil

4. **What does "surface collecting" mean?**
   A. Breaking rocks apart
   B. Collecting fossils exposed on the ground
   C. Digging deep underground
   D. Mining for rare specimens

5. **Which of the following is allowed in surface collecting?**
   A. Collecting small common fossils like shells
   B. Taking dinosaur bones
   C. Digging into rock layers
   D. Breaking large boulders

6. **Which of these is NOT allowed when collecting fossils?**
   A. Observing fossils in place
   B. Picking up loose fossils
   C. Reporting finds to museums
   D. Digging into the ground

7. **Which fossils are considered rare or important?**
   A. Small ammonites
   B. Dinosaur bones and footprints
   C. Common shell fragments
   D. Tiny plant leaves

8. **What should you do if you find an important fossil?**
   A. Report it to a museum or fossil office
   B. Sell it to a collector
   C. Keep it at home
   D. Leave it where it is and walk away

9. **Why is it important not to damage fossils in place?**
   A. It helps them form faster
   B. It makes them easier to study later
   C. It destroys scientific evidence and learning
   D. They become too heavy to move

10. **What is the main message about fossil collecting?**
    A. Respect, observe, and protect fossils for everyone
    B. Dig wherever fossils might be found
    C. Only scientists can look at fossils
    D. Take as many fossils as possible

Fossil Collecting

N W U A M M O N I T T E M L R
F F E T T D I S C O V E R Y L
O S C B R L P T R N W J O N A
O R S O C I A B I M Z F E Z W
T A K Y L T L E Y I Z E Z O S
P R E P P L A O Z Z Z R E B Y
R E D S M G E G B E M N C O S
I S I M U B O C X I O I N J G
N H N K S B N S T C T E Z A H
T N O K E O T O H I L E L C I
M B S J U N O R V E N B C W S
V P A A M E L Q T Z L G R Y T
R Q U Q P S O Z H Q K L J E O
Q L R K F W G S U R F A C E R
L G O Z C X Y Z F O S S I L Y

Palaeontology
Trilobite
Footprint
History
Fernie
Collecting
Ammonitte
Dinosaur
Fossil
Bones
Discovery
Surface
Museum
Laws
Shell
Rare