

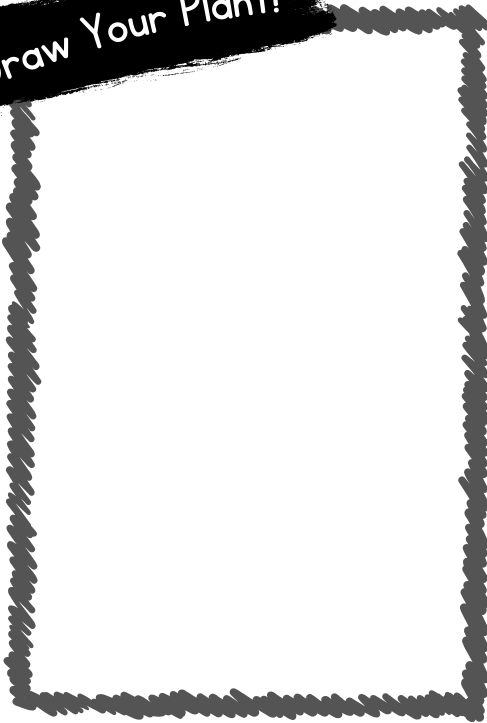
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D.I.Y. Plant Fossils



Part 1

Draw Your Plant!

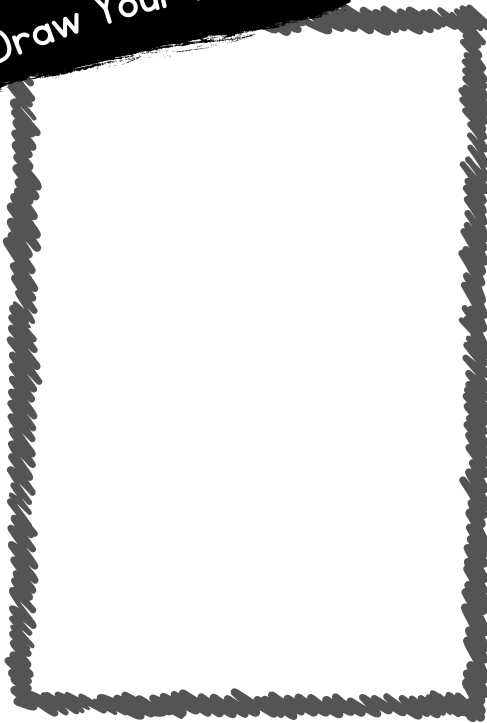


Make A Fossil

1. Mix all the ingredients using your hands. It should feel like dough when mixed completely.
2. Take a small amount of dough and shape it into a ball.
3. Place the ball of dough on wax paper then flatten it out with your hand or with a rolling pin.
4. Grab your plant and press it into the dough. You can use the back of a spoon to help you press down.
5. Carefully lift the plant specimen out of the dough.
6. Leave the dough alone to dry.

Part 2

Draw Your Fossil!

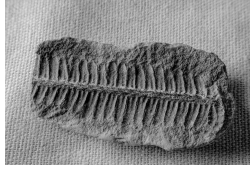


Write About It!



Part 3

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?!



A **trace fossil** is an imprint left by an organism, such as a footprint, nests, or other evidence of its activity. A **bone fossil** is fossilized teeth, claws, and bones.



Directions: Your class has now made lots of plant trace fossils! Find a few classmates to switch fossils with. Draw their fossil in the empty boxes below. Then, describe what evidence tells you more about their plant!



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