The dinosaur skeleton is buried, thus protecting it from further destruction.

The dinosaur dies and begins to decompose.

Uplift and erosion occur, bringing the fossil closer to the surface.

An injured dinosaur is walking along a river, more than 65 million years ago.

Over time, more and more sediments cover the dinosaur. Eventually it becomes a fossil.

Here the fossil is discovered by paleontologists.

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When a Dinosaur Dies

**Purpose:** To use pictorial evidence to reconstruct the history of fossilization and fossil discovery.

**Materials:** Scissors, glue, paper, matching cards, and matching pictures

**Instructions:**
1) Cut out the written descriptions and the pictures of events.
2) Order and number the written descriptions of events that occurred when a dinosaur died. There are six cards and these should be labeled 1-6 to indicate the sequence of events.
3) Match the pictures with the written descriptions. Raise your hand so that teacher may check your matching and sequencing.
4) Sparingly, glue the pictures and descriptions to a plain piece of paper.
5) Make sure that you have titled your assignment and put your name, date, and period in the upper left corner of the paper.
6) Your work will become part of your unit portfolio.
7) On a separate piece of paper, write a paragraph introducing your “storyboard” that describes how you discovered the sequence of events.
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