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DIY Science Camp: Archaeology



Day 1



Sandpaper Petroglyphs

Tell a story the way the Native Americans and cave painters of Lascaux did.

Books to read together:

- The First Drawing
- The Secret Cave
- Stones, Bones and Petroglyphs

Write it!

Native American pictographs

Day 2



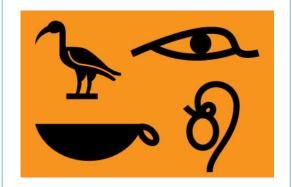
Ancient Stone Circle

Imagine and build your own mini-stone circle, and think about its meaning and purpose.

Books to read together:

- Anno's Sundial
- If Stones Could Speak
- The Secrets of Stonehenge

Day 3



Picture Writing

Create a scroll using hieroglyphics, the writing system invented by the Egyptians more than 5,000 years ago.

Books to read together:

- The Shipwrecked Sailor
- Seeker of Knowledge: The Man Who Deciphered Egyptian Hieroglyphs





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Day 4



Big Dig/Little Dig

Dig for history treasures (artifacts) at home! Learn how archaeologists dig and record their findings.

Books to read together:

- The 5,000-Year-Old Puzzle
- Archaeologists Dig for Clues

Write it!

Archaeology field journal

Day 5



Pottery Puzzle

Decorate, shatter, and put back together your own pot. What would it tell archaeologists about you?

Books to read together:

- How the Sphinx Got to the Museum
- Archaeology for Kids

Write it!

Greek vases tell a story

Day 6



Time Capsule

Hunt for history at home and put together a family time capsule. You can even write clues or create a treasure map to find it.

Books to read together:

- Flotsam
- The Museum Book





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Fiction Books

Bill and Pete Go Down the Nile by Tomie dePaola

Discovery at Flint Springs by John Erickson

Escape from Pompeii: An Isabel Soto Archaeology Adventure by Terry Collins

The First Drawing by Mordicai Gerstein

Flotsam by David Wiesner

I Am the Mummy Heb-Nefert by Eve Bunting

Miss Frizzle's Adventures in Ancient Egypt by Joanna Cole

Secrets of the Stone by Harriet Peck Taylor

Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura

The Shipwrecked Sailor by Tamara Bower

Temple Cat by Andrew Clements

Tut, Tut (Time Warp Trio) by Jon Scieszka

Nonfiction Books

Anno's Sundial by Mitsumasa Anno

Archaeologists Dig for Clues by Kate Duke

Archaeology for Kids by Richard Panchyk

The 5,000 Year Old Puzzle by Claudia Logan

Hieroglyphs by Joyce Milton

How the Sphinx Got to the Museum by Jessie Hartland

If Stones Could Speak: Unlocking the Secrets of Stonehenge by Marc Aronson

The Lost World of the Anasazi by Peter Lourie

The Museum Book by Jan Mark

The Secret Cave: Discovering Lascaux by Emily Arnold McCully

The Secrets of Stonehenge by Mick Manning

Seeker of Knowledge: The Man Who Deciphered Egyptian Hieroglyphics by James Rumford

Stones, Bones, and Petroglyphs by Susan Goodman



