Fun at Home





ARCHAEOLOGY CAKE

Archaeologists use stratigraphy to help work out how old their finds are. They look at the different layers in the soil. Deeper finds are usually older – but not always. Can you think of reasons why the layers (the stratigraphy) might get disturbed and muddled up?

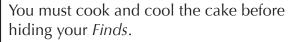
HOW TO MAKE YOUR ARCHAEOLOGY CAKE

Use any standard sponge cake recipe to make 3 or more slimline cakes of the same shape, but different colours.

Each piece makes a different 'soil' layer for your archaeology cake.

Cook and cool your cake. Then hide 'artefacts' (*Finds*) within your soil layers. What about jelly baby burials or colourful sweets for jewels?





Your Finds don't have to be edible - but, if they're not, make sure you 'excavate' and remove them before eating the cake!

Don't use anything too small - in case of choking.



No time for baking?

How about making a multi-layered archaeology sandwich instead?











Find out more about stratigraphy at The Higgins Bedford. Why not get involved in the Higgins' Saturday Archaeology Workshops, and join in their annual digs at BRVP?

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