

# The West Australian



**Tuesday November 24, 2020**

**Read the feature topic on fossils in today's ED! Magazine and complete some of the activities below.**



- What is a fossil? List at least three examples.
- What can we learn from studying dinosaur poo?
- What are fossil fuels made of?
- What evidence of the past can you see at Hamelin Pool in Shark Bay and the Dampier Peninsula?



- Have you ever found a fossil? Where did you find it and what was it?
- What is the difference between an archaeologist and a palaeontologist?
- What movies or books have you seen that feature fossils or palaeontologists?



- Find out more about the palaeontologist Mary Anning and write down five facts about her work and accomplishments.



- Use the 'A day in the life of palaeontologists' section to make a list of the tasks that a palaeontologist might be required to do during their work day. Against each task:
  - suggest what skills or personal attributes they'd need to complete it well;
  - evaluate (on a scale of 1-10) how much you think you would enjoy this task.



- Draw a picture or a series of pictures which help to illustrate how a fossil forms.



- Look in today's *The West Australian* or search online for any stories relating to fossil fuels. What are the main issues discussed?

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Join *The West's* Media Education team in our aim to create a media-savvy generation.

Online Media Education activities are designed to enable students to become critical consumers of news. Through completing the activities, students will develop the skills to consider, question, inquire and challenge reported news stories. Media Education encourages students to be informed citizens of global issues considering multiple perspectives before generating their own ideas and opinions.



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Read the stories in ED! Magazine's *NEWS FLASH* column and complete some of the activities below.

### Who will replace Liza



- When did Zak Kirkup enter Parliament?
- What is his current role?



- Research Zak Kirkup and write up a short fact sheet about him.



- The WA State election is going to take place in the middle of March. What might be an advantage and a disadvantage of a party leader resigning less than four months before an election?

### NSW GST whinge



- What is GST?
- What is meant by a 'GST revenue intake'?

### First taxi to space



- What organisation is running flights to space?
- Where are the space 'taxi' passengers going to disembark?



- Find out an example of work that is being done at the International Space Station.



- The SpaceX service brings closer the future possibility of space tourism. Create an advertisement encouraging people to take a space joy flight around the Earth.