



## First Excavation!

Mary arrived on the archaeological \_\_\_\_\_ for her first day of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Noun) (Plural Noun)

The sun had only just risen and they wanted to get as much \_\_\_\_\_ done as  
(Verb)

possible before the \_\_\_\_\_ got too \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_. She set down her  
(Noun) (Adjective) (Verb - ing)

\_\_\_\_\_ lunchbox and her \_\_\_\_\_ water bottle. Then she picked up her \_\_\_\_\_  
(Adjective) (Adjective) (Noun)

and walked over to her dig partner \_\_\_\_\_, who was standing next to a \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Noun)

hanging on a \_\_\_\_\_. Her job was going to be \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ from the  
(Noun) (Verb -ing) (Noun)

ground into the sifter while \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ all the soil to look for \_\_\_\_\_  
(Same Name) (Verb -ed) (Adjective)

artifacts as they went.

It was \_\_\_\_\_ work and Mary and \_\_\_\_\_ were starting to \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Adjective) (Same Name) (Verb)

in the \_\_\_\_\_ sun, which was now rising high above their \_\_\_\_\_. So far  
(Adjective) (Plural Noun)

\_\_\_\_\_ had found lots of \_\_\_\_\_, and twigs, and quite a few \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Same Name) (Plural Noun) (Plural Noun)

But so far, no artifacts. Then \_\_\_\_\_ shouted in excitement and held up a piece  
(Same Name)

of \_\_\_\_\_ for Mary to see.  
(Noun)

### READ ME LAST!

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Mary arrived on the archaeological site for her first day of excavations. The sun had only just risen and they wanted to get as much work done as possible before the day got too hot for working. She set down her rainbow lunchbox and her big water bottle. Then she picked up her shovel and walked over to her dig partner Pierre, who was standing next to a big sifter hanging on a tripod. Her job was going to be shoveling dirt from the ground into the sifter while Pierre sifted all the soil to look for small artifacts as they went.

It was tough work and Mary and Pierre were starting to sweat in the hot sun, which was now rising high above their heads. So far Pierre had found lots of rocks and twigs, and quite a few worms, but so far no artifacts.

Then Pierre shouted in excitement and held up a piece of pottery for Mary to see.