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Making your own woolly fossils

Extension idea for 'What was it like to be there? - bringing a fossil to life'

http://www.earthlearningidea.com/PDF/37_What_like_be_there_fossil.pdf

In the original activity pupils answer a series of questions to bring fossils, and the environments in which they lived, to life. For any fossil, they try to answer the following:-

When it was alive:

- *What sort of place was this animal living in?*
- *What did it breathe?*
- *What did it eat?*
- *Was it a hunter? – or hunted? – or both?*
- *What could it have seen?*
- *What could it have sensed?*
- *How did it die? – can we tell?*
- *What happened after it died?*

Crochet your own Trilobite

<http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/trilobites-for-hookers>

Free patterns are courtesy of Lisa Golladay

Photo by Laura Hamilton @Hammijam



Knit your own Ammonite

<http://www.oddknit.com/patterns/fossils/main.html>

Free patterns and photo courtesy of Jessica Goddard

If you put 'knitted fossils' or 'crochet fossils' into a search engine, you will find more ideas.

Pupil could try to answer the questions above for their creation. They can use a search engine to find the age ranges of their fossils.

The ELI Team will be pleased to publish photos of the fossil creations plus any commentary about them.