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## *Dinosaur Fossils*

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Directions: Circle the **synonym**  
(same meaning) of each word.

1. Putting the bones together is difficult when some of the pieces are missing.
  - a. easy
  - b. hard to do
  - c. wait for a while
  
2. Scientists must learn about dinosaurs from fossils because dinosaurs are extinct.
  - a. living
  - b. alive
  - c. no longer alive

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Directions: Circle the **antonym**  
(opposite meaning) of each word.

3. The melted wax soon cooled and hardened.
  - a. softened
  - b. solid
  - c. kicking
  
4. The puzzle was difficult to do. It was hard.
  - a. tricky
  - b. easy
  - c. hard
  
5. Some kinds of animals and plants used to live on Earth, but now are extinct.
  - a. no longer exist
  - b. alive
  - c. died out

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Directions: Use the words in the *word box* to complete the sentences below.

difficult      hardened      extinct      scientists      fossil

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ is what is left of a plant or an animal that lived long ago.
2. Some kinds of animals and plants used to live on Earth, but now are \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Some fossils are \_\_\_\_\_ tracks or footprints left by a moving animal.
4. The melted wax was soon cooled and \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Then \_\_\_\_\_ can study the skin and other soft parts of the animal's body.
6. Some \_\_\_\_\_, people who study things in a careful way, dig for fossils.
7. Putting the bones together is \_\_\_\_\_ when some of the pieces are missing.
8. The puzzle was \_\_\_\_\_ to do. It was hard.
9. Scientists must learn about dinosaurs from fossils because dinosaurs are \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Some kinds of animals and plants used to live on Earth, but now are \_\_\_\_\_.

