# Back Garden Excavation 2020

## Recording Form

Filling in this form properly will help show us the archaeology that you’ve found in your garden.

It will also show your friends, teachers, etc. that you have thought about all the steps that a professional archaeologist needs to take when digging a test pit in spits and have followed them yourself. There are some notes at the bottom to help you fill it in.

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| I have laid out my test pit. Here is the location plan. | Take a photo of your location plan and insert it here. |
| You can see my test pit in the picture on the right. When I took the photo I was facing N / S / E / W | Insert the photo you took of your test pit before you started digging. |
| This is my picture of the top of level 2. When I was digging level 2:  I could see that the soil was all ordinary garden soil the same as in level 1 OR  The soil changed. Instead of being ordinary garden soil it looked [Fill in how it looked] | Insert the photo you took of the top of level 2. |
| This is my picture of the top of level 3  When I was digging level 3:  I could see that the soil all looked the same as in level 2 OR  The soil changed. It looked [Fill in how it looked] | Insert the photo you took of the top of level 3. |
| This is my picture of the top of level 4  When I was digging level 4:  I could see that the soil all looked the same as in level 3 OR  The soil changed. It looked [Fill in how it looked] | Insert the photo you took of the top of level 4. |
| This is my picture of the top of level 5  When I was digging level 5:  I could see that the soil all looked the same as in level 4 OR  The soil changed. It looked [Fill in how it looked] | Insert the photo you took of the top of level 5. |
| This is my picture of the top of level 6  When I was digging level 6:  I could see that the soil all looked the same as in level 5 OR  The soil changed. It looked [Fill in how it looked] | Insert the photo you took of the top of level 6. |
| This is my picture of the top of level 7  When I was digging level 7:  I could see that the soil all looked the same as in level 6 OR  The soil changed. It looked [Fill in how it looked] | Insert the photo you took of the top of level 7. |
| This is my picture of the top of level 8  When I was digging level 8:  I could see that the soil all looked the same as in level 7 OR  The soil changed. It looked [Fill in how it looked] | Insert the photo you took of the top of level 8. |
| This is my picture of the top of level 9  When I was digging level 9:  I could see that the soil all looked the same as in level 8 OR  The soil changed. It looked [Fill in how it looked] | Insert the photo you took of the top of level 9. |
| This is my picture of the bottom of my test pit | Insert the photo you took of the bottom of your test pit |
| This is my picture of the section of the test pit | Insert the photo you took of the section of your test pit |
| This is my test pit after I finished filling it in | Insert the photo you took after you filled your pit back up again |

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| These are my finds from level 1-9 | Insert a photo of your finds that you found at each level during your test pit excavation |

1. Words and letters in **red** are **multiple choice**. You need to select the one that is right for your trench and delete the ones that don’t apply. With a photograph, for example, if you were facing N when you took it, you would delete S, E and W. If you were facing SW, you would delete N and E.
2. The bits in **blue** are where you need to add something yourself here. Delete the bit in blue to make room for what you are adding.
3. When you insert the photos, you may find that the width of the column changes. You can put it back to its original size by formatting the picture. When you change the width of the photo to 10cm (using the box at the right-hand side of the formatting toolbar), the column should go back to its proper size. The row will be wider than it was to start with, but that doesn’t matter.
4. This form gives you enough room to record a test pit 1m deep (10 levels). **If you didn’t dig that many levels don’t worry, just delete the rows you don’t need.**

**Please return this form to the address below, or email it to us at** [**outreach@ggat.org.uk**](mailto:outreach@ggat.org.uk)

**Happy Digging!**

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