



TOOLS OF THE TRADE

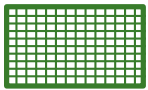
Archeologists use many tools on a dig. In the spaces provided, describe how an archeologist might use each of these tools to uncover artifacts.



1. Trowel: _____



2. Shovel: _____



3. Sifting Screen: _____



4. Hand Broom and Dustpan: _____



5. Tape Measure: _____



6. Line Level: _____



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A small hand tool used for digging. Archeologists use either a pointed or square-ended trowel to cut through soil and sediment.



A tool used to dig, lift, and move large amounts of soil. Shovels typically move soil into buckets or screens for further analysis.

A tool used to sift the soil, so archeologists can search for smaller artifacts.

Tools used to move small amounts of soil. These tools are commonly used to clean up areas that have been troweled.



A tool used to create an accurate map of the dig site and study the sizes of artifacts, among other things.



A tool used to measure depth on the dig site, allowing archeologists to map areas where artifacts may be found.