Excavation

• The systematic process of digging up the remains of the past.
Stratigraphy

- The study of the remains that are found in various layers of soil and rock.
Cultural Dating

• Method of dating that compares one object with information that is already known.

• Types of cultural dating:
  – Absolute Dating
  – Relative Dating
Absolute Dating

• Dating that gives a specific date in years for a particular object.
Relative Dating

• Dating that gives a date of older or younger compared to something else.
Scientific Dating

• Dating that uses scientific means to obtain a date for an object:
  – Written Records
  – Radiocarbon Dating
  – Dendrochronology (Tree-Ring Dating)
  – Potassium-Argon Dating