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### **A Life of Mary Anning** HarperCollins UK

The amazing story of how the world's greatest fossilist found her first huge find at the age of twelve. Mary was born in 1799 in Lyme Regis, England, to a poor family. She and her older brother were the only two of ten children to survive. Her father, a carpenter and part-time fossil hunter, taught his children to look for fossils. When her father injured himself and was unable to work, Mary quit school and took up fossil hunting full-time to help support her family, a task that became even more important when her father died, leaving the Annings in debt. At the age of twelve, Mary, with her older brother Joe, found what they believed to be the skeleton of a gigantic crocodile, the Great Croc of the legends. Between dodging her rival fossil hunter, the Curiman, and the sheer work of carefully digging out the fossil, Mary took almost a year to excavate what would later be termed the Ichthyosaurus. Mary Anning may have been uneducated, poor and a woman, but her life's work of fossil hunting led her to make many discoveries that influenced our understanding of prehistoric creatures and the age of the Earth. In 2010, Mary was named among the ten British women who have most influenced the history of science. Charles Darwin even cited Mary's fossilized creatures as evidence in his book *On the Origin of Species*. In this triumphant novel about scientific discovery, Monica Kulling brings Mary Anning and her world to life for young readers. Key Text Features author's note historical context resources facts further reading

### **Mary Leakey, Paleontologist** Groundwood Books Ltd

The Ghost of Fossil Glen gripping ghost story and murder mystery by a popular and highly regarded author. Allie Nichols knows she's being pursued by a ghost. But her friend Karen calls her a liar and doesn't want to hear "stuff like that." It is Allie's old pal Dub who listens eagerly as Allie tells him about a voice that guides her safely down a steep cliff side, the face in her mind's eye of a girl who begs "Help me," and a terrible nightmare in which that girl falls to her death. Who is the girl? Is she the ghost? And what does the ghost want from Allie? As Allie discovers that her role is to avenge a murder, she also learns something about friendship, false and true, in the latest chilling tale from best selling author Cynthia DeFelice.

### **The Dog That Dug for Dinosaurs** Silver Burdett Press

Padma and her grandmother, Labhuben, discover that the flatland their cows graze on is not just any ordinary flatland, but home to the dinosaurs that lived in India more than 65 million years ago. It gets more interesting as Palaeontologist Professor Rajan Dinkar, who Padma fondly calls Rock Uncle, reveals many secrets about their hometown, Rahioli, and even gifts her one of his most prized discoveries, a beautiful dinosaur egg. As Padma takes the egg home, little does she know that she would soon be setting off on the adventure of her life with Labhuben, Rock Uncle and a dinosaur called Bluethingosaurus. In an exciting mix of non-fiction and fiction, this book contains curious facts and insights about dinosaurs discovered in India, including:1. A colourful map showing the dinosaurs

that have been discovered across India,2. Invaluable inputs from renowned Palaeontologists such as Dr Ashok Sahni and Suresh Srivastava,3. Illustrated fact sheets about the dinosaurs discovered in the Indian sub-continent, and4. An interview with the Dinosaur Princess of India, Aaliya Sultana Babi.

### **Dinogirl** Nomad Press (VT)

Describes the life of Mary Anning, who discovered many of the best and most complete fossils in nineteenth-century England, yet received little credit for her work.

### **Remarkable Creatures** Simon and Schuster

"[Are] you curious where ... fossils came from-- and who found them? Dig into this book to discover more about [the] exciting clues to the past!"--Page 4 of cover.

*A Dinosaur Named Ruth* The Fossil GirlMary Anning's Dinosaur DiscoveryIn simple cartoon style, tells the story of a twelve-year-old English girl's discovery in 1811 of an ichthyosaurus skeleton.The Fossil HunterDinosaurs, Evolution, and the Woman Whose Discoveries Changed the World

This is the story of a woman who dared to dig, explore, and discover. This is the story of Dinosaur Lady. Mary Anning loved scouring the beach near her home in England for shells and fossils. She fearlessly climbed over crumbling cliffs and rocky peaks, searching for new specimens. One day, something caught Mary's eye. Bones. Dinosaur Bones. Mary's discoveries rocked the world of science and helped create a brand-new field of study: paleontology. But many people believed women couldn't be scientists, so Mary wasn't given the credit she deserved. Nevertheless, Mary kept looking and learning more, making discoveries that reshaped scientific beliefs about the natural world. Dinosaur Lady is a beautiful and brilliant picture book that will enlighten children about the discovery of the dinosaurs and the importance of female scientists. It also includes a timeline of Mary Anning's life and lots of fantastic fossil facts!

### *Fossils Sticker Book* Frances Lincoln Children's Books

Explore the history of life on Earth through every type of fossil, from marine invertebrates such as ammonites, to fishes, plants, early amphibians, dinosaurs, birds, mammals, and even humans with DK Eyewitness Fossils.

### *The Girl and the Dinosaur* Sourcebooks, Inc.

Love Grows Everywhere is a gentle and lyrical story that connects the love that nurtures plants with the love that nurtures our relationships with one another.

### *Irena Sendler* Roaring Brook Press

Describes the life of Mary Anning, who discovered many of the best and most complete fossils in nineteenth-century England, yet received little credit for her work.

### *Being a Girl* Frances Lincoln Children's Books

"This in-depth, beautifully illustrated biography of Mary Anning sings with the passion and perseverance of the woman herself, who from girlhood on scoured the shifting cliffs of her native Dorset to dig out prehistoric mysteries and make sense of them—altering forever our view of the past." —Joyce Sidman, Newbery Honor winner and Sibert Medal winner A fascinating, highly visual biography of Mary Anning, the Victorian fossil hunter who changed scientific thinking about

prehistoric life and would become one of the most celebrated paleontologists of all time. Perfect for children learning about woman scientists like Ada Lovelace, Jane Goodall, and Katherine Johnson. Mary Anning grew up on the south coast of England in a region rich in fossils. As teenagers, she and her brother Joseph discovered England's first complete ichthyosaur. Poor and uneducated, Anning would become one of the most celebrated paleontologists ever, though in her time she supported herself selling by fossils and received little formal recognition. Her findings helped shape scientific thinking about extinction and prehistoric life long before Darwin published his famous work on evolution. With engaging text, photographs, and stunning paleoart, *Fossil Hunter* introduces this self-taught scientist, now recognized as one of the greatest fossilists the world has ever known.

#### **The Fossil Girl** Gutsy Girls

Discover the story of Mary Anning, the world's best-known fossil hunter. As a baby, Mary was struck by lightning, then as a little girl she found a fossilised sea monster, the most important prehistoric discovery of its time. This spectacular tale of a little girl who dared to be different and who followed her dreams will inspire young children. Beautiful illustrations and narrative text help children to learn how Mary discovered new fossils – and how her observations rocked the natural history world. Be inspired by Mary's work as a woman in the field of science – especially as her achievements weren't recognised until after her death. Perfect for kids interested in dinosaurs and rocks, and for parents looking for strong female role models in science. If you liked this, you might like the Anholt's Artists series.

#### *Lightning Mary* Harper Collins

A brief biography of the English girl whose discovery of an Ichthyosaurus skeleton in 1811 when she was twelve led to a life-long interest in fossils and other important discoveries.

#### *How Mary Anning Changed the Science of Prehistoric Life* Andrews McMeel Publishing

For fans of *Shark Lady* and from the New York Times bestselling illustrator of Dr. Fauci comes the incredible true story of a girl who discovered dinosaur bones in her own backyard and, after years of persistence, helped uncover one of the most exciting paleontological discoveries of our time. There's an extraordinary secret hidden just beneath Ruth Mason's feet. The year is 1905, and Ruth is a prairie girl living in South Dakota. She has no way of knowing that millions of years ago, her family farm was once home to scores of dinosaurs. Until one day, when Ruth starts finding clues to the past: strange rocks and rubble scattered all across her land. They're dinosaur fossils—but she doesn't know that yet, either. It will take many years of collecting these clues, and many, many questions, but Ruth's curiosity will one day help uncover thousands of fossils all across her land. New York Times bestselling illustrator Alexandra Bye's vibrant illustrations bring to life this inspiring and exciting debut picture book from award-winning journalist Julia Lyon.

#### **Finding Wonders** St. Martin's Press

Mary Anning, born in a poor family, lived in Lyme Regis and from an early age was fascinated by the fossils, then called snake stones and devil's toenails, that could then be picked up on the beaches. She became far more interested when she realised that these could be sold to the gentry who had grown into avid collectors. She was supported by her family in her enterprise but was often ripped off by the buyers and derided by the scientists. One person came to her rescue: Elizabeth Philpot, daughter of a wealthy family who had settled in Dorset to escape the stultifying respectability of

genteel London society. The two women, of different ages and very different class and background, became unlikely friends but the relationship was to take on stranger twists as the excitement of the fossil discoveries - Mary Anning finds the first complete plesiosaur - turns to religious difficulties as the importance of these finds begins to spread.

#### **Mary Anning's Curiosity** HarperCollins Australia

A fossil discovered at London's Natural History Museum leads one woman back in time to nineteenth century Australia and a world of scientific discovery and dark secrets in this compelling historical mystery. *The Hunter Valley 1847* The last thing Mellie Vale remembers before the fever takes her is running through the bush as a monster chases her - but no one believes her story. In a bid to curb Mellie's overactive imagination, her benefactors send her to visit a family friend, Anthea Winstanley. Anthea is an amateur palaeontologist with a dream. She is convinced she will one day find proof the great sea dragons - the ichthyosaur and the plesiosaur - swam in the vast inland sea that millions of years ago covered her property at Bow Wow Gorge. Soon, Mellie shares that dream for she loves fossil hunting too... 1919 When Penelope Jane Martindale arrives home from the battlefields of World War I with the intention of making her peace with her father and commemorating the death of her two younger brothers in the trenches, her reception is not as she had hoped. Looking for distraction, she finds a connection between a fossil at London's Natural History museum and her brothers which leads her to Bow Wow Gorge. But the gorge has a sinister reputation - 70 years ago people disappeared. So when PJ uncovers some unexpected remains, it seems as if the past is reaching into the present and she becomes determined to discover what really happened all that time ago...

#### *The Fossil Hunter* Simon and Schuster

*Fossil Huntress: Mary Leakey, Paleontologist*, introduces children ages 5 to 8 to Mary Leakey, a paleontologist who lived and worked for much of her life in Africa, making discoveries that change the face of paleontology forever. Age-appropriate vocabulary, detailed illustrations, simple STEM projects such as drawing specimens, and a glossary all support foundational learning. Perfect for beginner readers or as a read aloud nonfiction picture book!

#### *Mary Anning's Dinosaur Discovery* CreateSpace

A fun and informative introduction to fossils, packed with fascinating facts, puzzles, games, and 100 reusable stickers This colorful activity book is crammed with 100 reusable stickers of fossilized plants and animals that lived a long time ago, from ancient sea creatures and dinosaur claws to whole cockroaches preserved in amber. The stickers are accompanied by informative sections on how fossils form, the different types of fossil that can be found, and what they can tell us about what the world was like millions, or even billions, of years ago. There is plenty of fossil fun to be found too, with some exciting games including a dot-to-dot puzzle and a dinosaur maze. The book contains bite-size facts about many of the creatures featured, so young children can discover what fossils actually are and what they can look like in a fun and engaging way. They can also create their own fossil dig by adding stickers to a fantastic double page spread.

#### *The Story of a Girl and a Dinosaur* New Leaf Publishing Group

There once was a little dog named Tray. He lived in England with his owner, Mary Ann Anning. Besides Mary Ann, Tray loved one other thing: He loved to dig for dinosaur bones. Together he and Mary Ann found small bones, big bones, and even entire skeletons! People came from all around the

world to see the bones they found. This is the honestly true story of Tray, the dog that dug for dinosaurs.

Love Grows Everywhere Scholastic Inc.

Meet 12-year-old Clarissa Koos, a young paleontologist from California who inspired this story. In 2013, on a dig in Montana, "Clarissasaurus" was found. Learn how this dinosaur was named in honor of Clarissa, who continues to work on the discovery from excavation to the lab work, preparing the fossils for display at the Burke Museum in Seattle.

The Fossil Book words & pictures

This evocative, beautifully illustrated picture book celebrates one girl's limitless imagination, perfect for fans of the Fan Brothers. Anything is possible and nothing's as it seems . . . In a town by the seaside, Marianne is often seen digging for buried treasure on the beach. One day, she finds the most wonderful treasure of all--a dinosaur skeleton! That night, Marianne makes a wish upon a star that her dinosaur will come to life. She wishes it with all her heart--and it comes true. Together, Marianne's adventures with her new friend are limited only by their imagination. This enchanting picture book will take you on a magical journey far beyond the page.