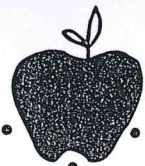


Name Key

## REVIEW 2



### Word Test

#### A Fossil Puzzle

Do you like jigsaw puzzles or mystery stories? Paleontologists are (1) Women and men (2) whose job is to put together puzzles and unlock the mysteries of (3) history through fossils. (4) Their work is the (5) science of prehistoric life. (6) Anyone can find a fossil (7) because (8) millions of them are waiting to be (9) found. Each find (10) lets you unlock a (11) piece of the puzzle. Now, (12) lets say you're the paleontologist. Use common (13) sense to (14) rule your thinking and you'll have the solution to this puzzle.

Many fossils have been found in a gooey tar (15) material that formed 14,000 years ago called the La Brea Tar Pits. (16) Animals got (17) caught in the tar and never got out. Mainly fossils from meat-eating beasts were (18) uncovered (19) there. So, (20) doesn't this mean that (21) a lot more meat eaters, or carnivores, (22) than plant eaters, or herbivores, were on our (23) earth at that time? Think about it. If a creature became (24) afraid when it got in the tar, what would it do? Would it be (25) especially noisy? And if so, what might have (26) happened?