Vocabulary

mystery science

Lesson: What did your town look like 100 million years ago?

aquatic	underwater
canyon	a low area of land with sides that are almost straight up-and-down
coal	a type of sedimentary rock made of fossil plants that can be burned and used for fuel
deposition	the process of sediment falling and settling on a surface
environment	all the living and nonliving things in a particular place
evidence	information that can be used to support or reject an idea
fossil	the remains of a plant or animal that lived a very, very long time ago
fossil fuel	a material made of fossils that is burned for energy, such as coal
model	a pretend version of something that scientists use when the real thing is too big, small, or complicated to work with
sediment	very small pieces of rock
sedimentary rock	a type of rock formed when sediments settle and then press together over long periods of time