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Archaeology

Date: _____

Excavating a Garbage Can

Diagram	What We Found
	Layer 1: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
	Layer 2: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
	Layer 3: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

Questions:

1. Pick one item from each layer. For each item, explain what it might have been used for, and how it might have gotten there.

Layer 1: Item: _____

Explanation: _____

Layer 2: Item: _____

Explanation: _____

Layer 3: Item: _____

Explanation: _____

2. Based on the evidence “excavated” which room in the house might this garbage can be from? Explain your reasons for choosing this room. (Remember to use the items found to support your answer.)

3. What can you tell about the person? Choose four items found and explain what each item reveals about the person or people who used this garbage can.

Item	Tells me that . . .
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	

4. What other things might eventually have been thrown in this garbage can? List 4 items and give a reason as to why it might have been thrown into this particular garbage can.

Additional Item	Reason
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	