



Pyrite

Dinosaur Gallery Activity

PYRITE

Have a look around the gallery and find the piece of pyrite, pictured on this postcard.

Pyrite is a mineral and can be found in rocks.

Minerals are not organic things which means that they have never been alive or are made from anything that was once alive.

Pyrite sometimes has a nickname of "fools gold". Can you think why?

Do you like this mineral? Would you like to have something made from a mineral like this? A piece of jewellery or an ornament perhaps?

Have a look at some other minerals on display.

Look at the different textures, shapes and colours found within them.

Do you have a favourite mineral which you can see in the gallery? What is it that appeals to you the most?

All the rocks are displayed in cases to preserve them for many years to come, but imagine if you could touch them? How would they feel?

Think of words to describe your favourite mineral. Be as creative as you can.