

**fossil**

1. ['fɒs(ə)] *n*
  1. окаменелость; ископаемое; ископаемые остатки, органические остатки *или* их отпечатки
  2. 1) *разг.* «ископаемое», человек с устаревшими воззрениями, консервативными взглядами
  - 2) *разг.* допотопная вещь
  - 3) *pl сл.* родители, «предки»
2. ['fɒs(ə)] *a*
  1. окаменелый, ископаемый  
 amber is fossil resin - янтарь - это ископаемая смола  
 fossil coal - каменный уголь  
 fossil flax - *мин.* асбест  
 fossil oil - нефть  
 fossil wax - озокерит, горный воск
  2. *разг.* устарелый, допотопный

**fossil**

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**fos-sil** ['fɒsɪl] *BrE* ['fɒsɪl] *AmE* ['fɑːsɪl] *noun*

1. the remains of an animal or a plant which have become hard and turned into rock
  - fossils over two million years old
2. (*informal, disapproving*) an old person, especially one who is unable to accept new ideas or adapt to changes

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent. (denoting a fossilized fish found, and believed to have lived, underground): from French *fossile*, from Latin *fossilis* 'dug up', from *fodere* 'dig'.

**fossil**

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**fos-sil** /'fɒsəl \$ 'fɑː-/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun* [countable]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: fossilis 'dug up', from fodere 'to dig']



1. an animal or plant that lived many thousands of years ago and that has been preserved, or the shape of one of these animals or plants that has been preserved in rock:
  - fossils of early reptiles
  - Marine sponges have a long fossil record (=their development has been recorded over a long period).
2. *informal* an insulting word for an old person

**THESAURUS**

- **rock** a piece of the hard substance that forms the main surface of the Earth. In British English, **rocks** are too large to pick up, but in American English, they can either be large or small: the rocks along the riverbanks
- **stone** a small piece of rock, found on the ground or near the surface of the ground. Speakers of American English are more likely to use the word **rock** than **stone**: The children were throwing stones into the water.
- **boulder** a large round piece of rock: She climbed over a few boulders at the edge of the sea.
- **pebble** a small smooth stone found especially on a beach or on the bottom of a river: The beach was covered with smooth white pebbles.
- **fossil** a rock which has the shape of an animal or plant that lived many thousands of years ago: fossils of early reptiles

**fossil**

Freakuency Pack

12500 **4547** *MCW*  
 15000 **3614** *COCA*  
 RANGE: **7k** **FOSSIL** 6029  
 fossil 3954  
 fossils 1666  
 fossilization 41  
 fossilisation 0  
 fossilize 10  
 fossilizes 0  
 fossilized 358  
 fossilizing 0

fossilise 0

fossilises 0

fossilised 0

fossilising 0

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

<sup>1568</sup>**8797**<sup>3683</sup> *nn1*

<sup>176</sup>**46983**<sup>250</sup> *npX*

<sup>4</sup>**175270**<sup>21</sup> *np1*

---