

# Site Diary

Site  
code:

Use this page at the end of each day to record a short summary of everyone on your team's thoughts about the day and the dig.

Summary of day 1

Date:

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Summary of day 2

Date:

Blank area for day 2 summary.

# Digging an Archaeological Test Pit Excavation Record

Date of excavation:

Site code/settlement name: SBDG 15

Test-pit number: TP62

Test-pit address: MAA02 House II

Test-pit team names:

1. Judith Staples Nigel Bailey 3. Shirley Gale
2. Sneha Ickringill Linda Parrott 4. Miles Johnson



# Test Pit Location Map

Site code: SBDG-15 Test Pit number: TP62

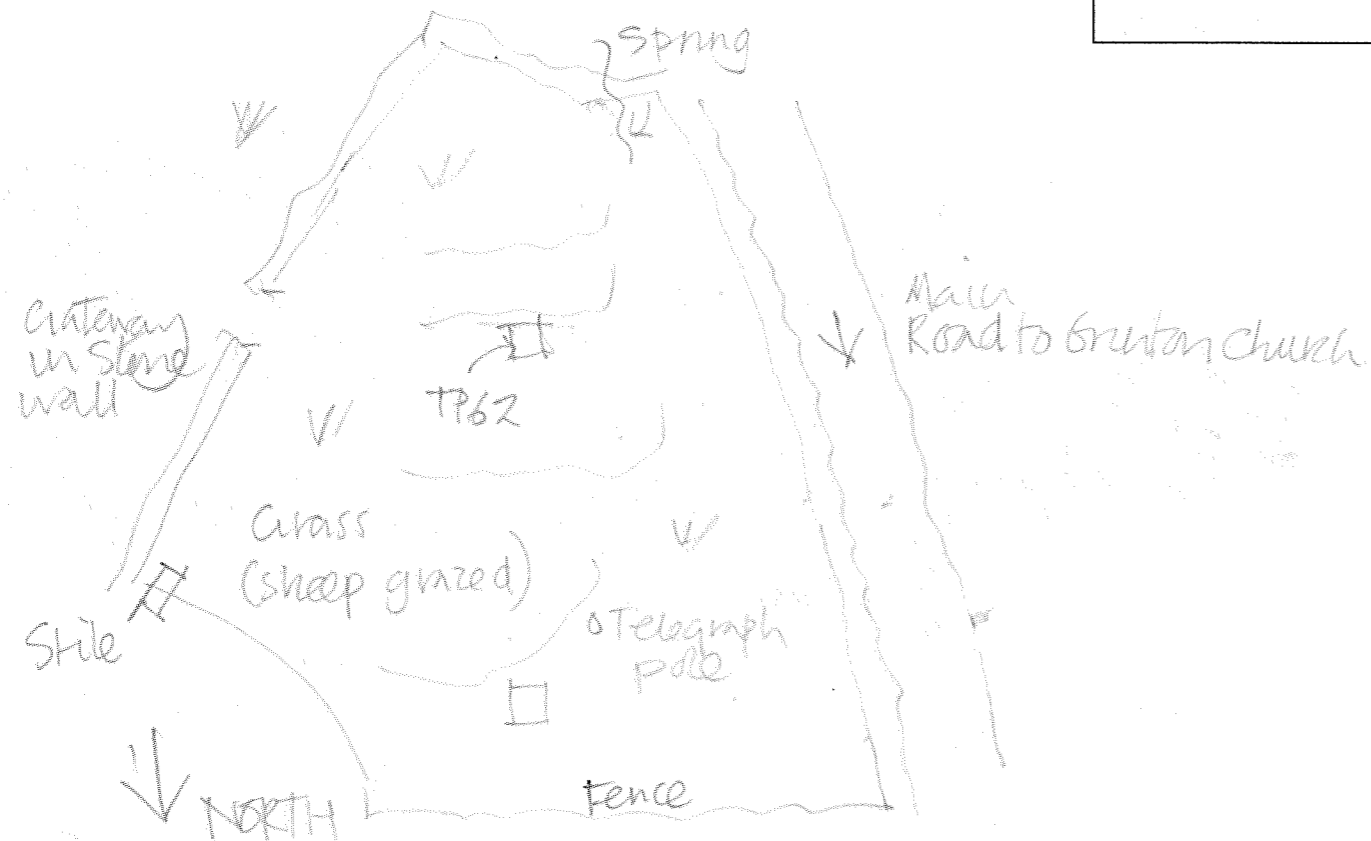
Site measured by:

Map drawn by: Sheila Icknigill

Test pit location recording checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Measure and draw map of area around your test pit with North marked.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Add written description of test-pit location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

1. Make a measured, labelled plan of the unexcavated surface the test pit, showing where it is in relation to features such as houses, boundaries, roads, walls etc which are marked on your Ordnance Survey map. Include lines showing the exact distances from your test pit to permanently identifiable points nearby such as buildings or field corners. Show your test pit as a square with the corners numbered 1-4, to correlate with the numbers on each context plan in the **Context Record Sheets** in this **Record Booklet**.

2. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your map:



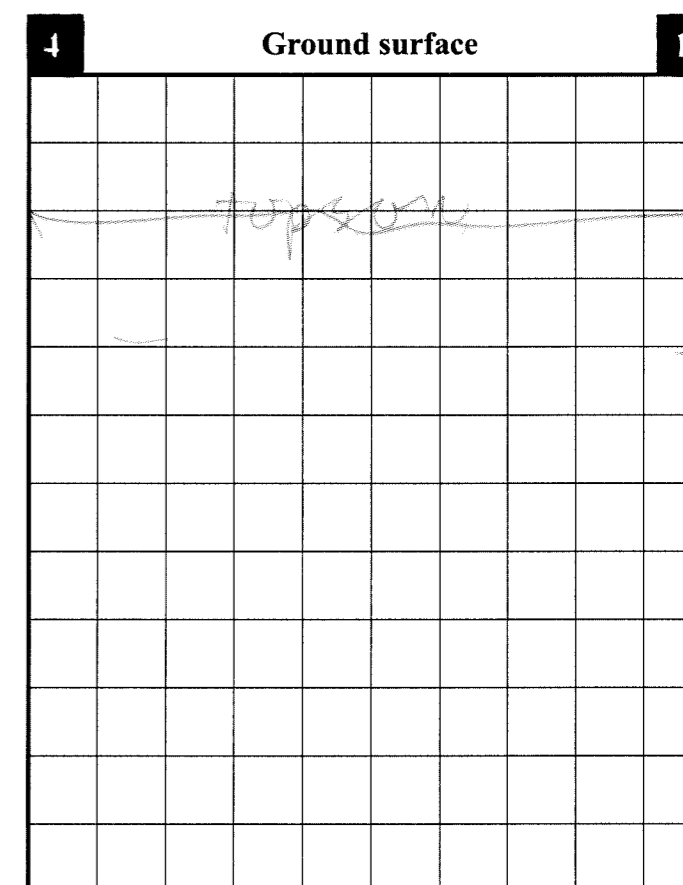
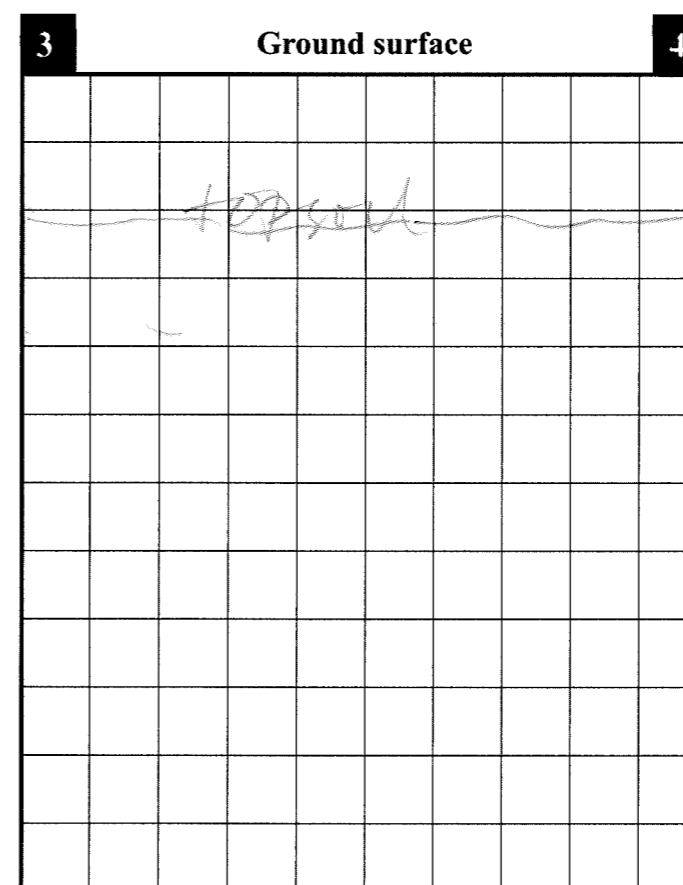
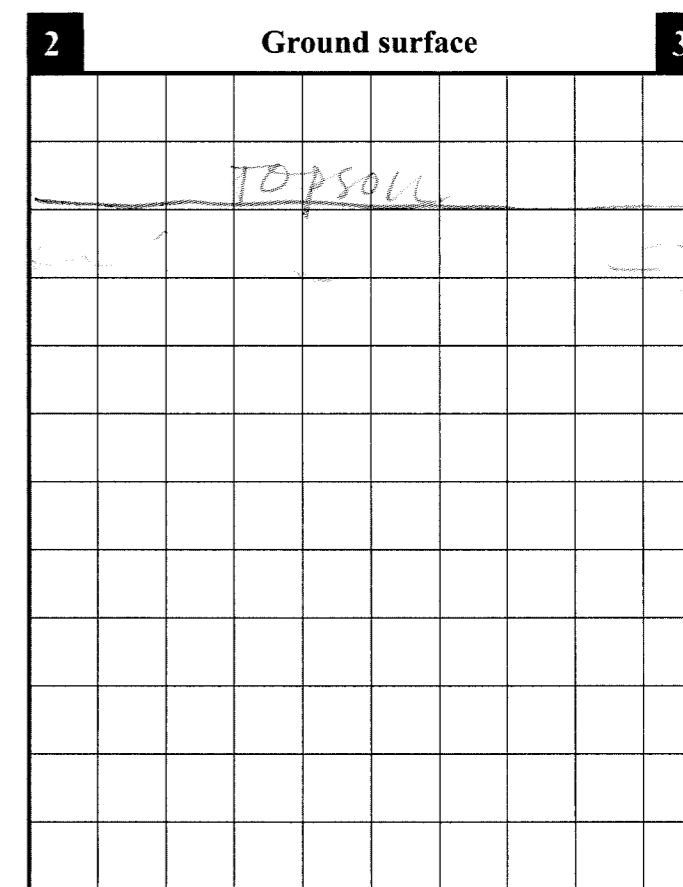
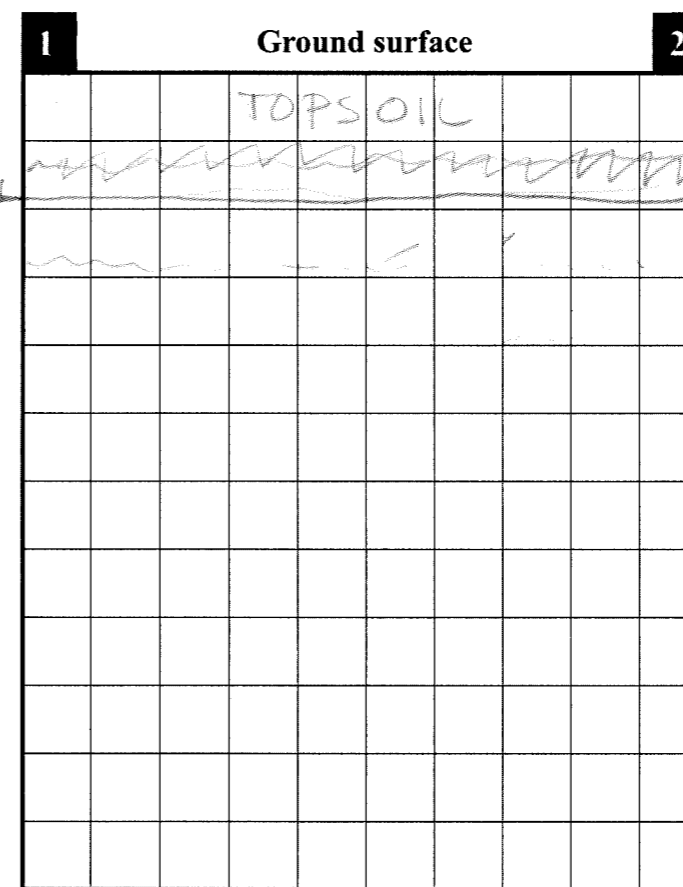
3. Describe where your test pit is, adding any notes which help explain this to someone who doesn't know your site:

TP62 in a field to the south of Grinton Manor House approx central and aligned with gateway to field to east.

# Section Drawings

Site code:

Test Pit number:



# FINAL Context Record Sheet

Site code: **SBDG-15** Test Pit number: **TP62** Context number: **END**

Context recorded by: **Sheila Icknagill**

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?  
1 **620** 2 **690m** 3 **70** 4 **66cm**

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

**1 Final (unexcavated) context plan** **2**

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:

Final Context Recording task checklist	
Task (complete all these <b>before</b> starting to backfill)	Tick when completed
Photograph surface of bottom of test pit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of bottom of test pit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Complete section drawings for all 4 sides of your test pit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ensure all finds are clean and in clearly labelled bags	
Fill in all sections on this <b>Final Context Recording Sheet</b>	

6. Did you excavate your test pit to natural? If not, explain why you stopped digging.  
**YES**

7. Use this space for your conclusions about how well your test-pit excavation went, what you think it revealed, any technical problems you encountered which may have affected the results, and any other thoughts that might be useful when writing up your test-pit excavation:

# Context Record Sheet

Site code: **SBDG-15** Test Pit number: **TP62** Context number: **1**

Context recorded by: **Sheila Icknagill**

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?  
1 **0 cm** 2 **0 cm** 3 **0 cm** 4 **0 cm**

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

**1 Context plan** **2**

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:  
**grass**

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<b>100 %</b>
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<b>na</b>
Fill in <b>all</b> of this <b>Context Record Sheet</b>	

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Stone	<b>YES</b>	<b>% TRAE</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sand		<b>%</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soil	<b>YES</b>	<b>% 99</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clay	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Charcoal	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<b>%</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<b>%</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. What colour was this context?: **L**

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).  
**small fragment bone**  
**coal**



## Context Record Sheet

Site code:  Test Pit number:  Context number:

Context recorded by:

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?

1 10cm 2 10cm 3 10cm 4 10cm

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

**Context plan**

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:

No features, soil, fine (particles) + grass roots

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100%
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fill in <b>all</b> of this Context Record Sheet	

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Stone	Y	% 1				
Sand	N	% -				
Soil	Y	% 8				
Clay	Y	% 10				
Charcoal	Y	% -	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
		%				
		%				

6. What colour was this context?:

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

small fragments of bone  
pot (glazed)  
shale (burnt)  
window glass (thin) greenish  
small metal fragments  
charcoal, burnt  
local coal, coal  
fragments  
small blue fragment  
? glass

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## Context Record Sheet

Site code:  Test Pit number:  Context number:

Context recorded by:

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?

1 2 3 4

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

**Context plan**

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <b>before</b> starting to dig it	
Draw plan of top of context <b>before</b> starting to dig it	
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	%
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	
Fill in <b>all</b> of this Context Record Sheet	

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Stone		%				
Sand		%				
Soil		%				
Clay		%				
Charcoal		%				
		%				
		%				

6. What colour was this context?:

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

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### Context Record Sheet

Site code: **SBDG15** Test Pit number: **TP62** Context number: **4**

Context recorded by: *Sheila Ickringill*

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100%
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fill in <b>all</b> of this Context Record Sheet	

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?

1 *30cm* 2 *30cm* 3 *30cm* 4 *30cm*

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

Context plan	
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Stone	<i>Y</i>	<i>% 1</i>	Flecks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small	Med	Large
Sand	<i>N</i>	<i>% -</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	<i>Y</i>	<i>% 76</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	<i>Y</i>	<i>% 20</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	<i>Y</i>	<i>% -</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		<i>%</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		<i>%</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?: *4*

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

*Pottery fragments  
glazed (potentially 13c)  
un-glazed  
chert fragments  
  
ch  
iron (horse shoe nail?)  
charcoal fragments*

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:  
*No features  
Fine soil*

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### Context Record Sheet

Site code:  Test Pit number:  Context number:

Context recorded by:

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?

1  2  3  4

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

Context plan	
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <b>before</b> starting to dig it	
Draw plan of top of context <b>before</b> starting to dig it	
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input type="checkbox"/> %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	
Fill in <b>all</b> of this Context Record Sheet	

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Stone		<i>%</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand		<i>%</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil		<i>%</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay		<i>%</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal		<i>%</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		<i>%</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		<i>%</i>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?:

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:

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## Context Record Sheet

Site code:  Test Pit number:  Context number:

Context recorded by:

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?

1                      2                      3                      4

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

Context plan									
1					2				
4					3				

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	%
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fill in <b>all</b> of this Context Record Sheet	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?:

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

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## Context Record Sheet

Site code:  Test Pit number:  Context number:

Context recorded by:

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?

1 50cm 2 50cm 3 50cm 4 50cm

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

Context plan									
1					2				
4					3				

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:

No features, soil, more stones than earlier layers

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <b>before</b> starting to dig it	✓
Draw plan of top of context <b>before</b> starting to dig it	✓
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	100 %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	✓
Fill in <b>all</b> of this Context Record Sheet	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone	Y	% 5	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand	N	% -	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	Y	% 75	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	Y	% 20	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	N	% -	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?: 3/4

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

small pottery fragment  
chert fragment

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# Context Record Sheet

Site code: SBDG15 Test Pit number: TP52 Context number: 7

Context recorded by: Sheela Ickeringill

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?  
1 60 2 60 3 60 4 60cm

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

**Context plan**

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:  
soil with some larger stones

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fill in <b>all</b> of this Context Record Sheet	

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)		
			Flecks	Small	Med
Stone	<u>Y</u>	<u>% 20</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Sand	<u>N</u>	<u>% -</u>			
Soil	<u>Y</u>	<u>% 60</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Clay	<u>Y</u>	<u>% 20</u>			
Charcoal	<u>N</u>	<u>% 0</u>			
		%			
		%			

6. What colour was this context?: 3/4

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

large piece of chert

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# Context Record Sheet

Site code:  Test Pit number:  Context number:

Context recorded by:

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this context at the four corners of your test pit (numbered in black boxes below)?  
1  2  3  4

2. Make a measured, labelled plan of this context in the gridded square below (1 cm on paper = 10 cm in pit)

3. Draw an arrow here pointing in the direction of North on your plan:

**Context plan**

4. Describe what you've drawn on the plan, adding any notes which help explain what you have shown on your plan:

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context <b>before</b> starting to dig it	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<input type="checkbox"/> %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fill in <b>all</b> of this Context Record Sheet	

5. Complete the boxes below to show what (apart from finds) was in this context (write non-listed inclusions into blank row if necessary):

	Present y/n	Percentage?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)		
			Flecks	Small	Med
Stone		%			
Sand		%			
Soil		%			
Clay		%			
Charcoal		%			
		%			
		%			

6. What colour was this context?:

7. List the finds from this context. For each find, say what it is (or what it looks like) and what date it is (if you know).

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