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## REVIEWS:

Bowdler, Sandra - *Revealing the Past : Archaeology in Australia*.  
North Ryde, Methuen, L.B.C., Ltd.

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This is a most attractively produced book of 32 pages. It contains an excellent range of illustrations, tables and very good colour photographs. The drawings are appropriate and most certainly add to the understanding of explanations in the text. For children wishing to explore Australia's past it is an interesting and informative introduction.

The book explains clearly what is archaeology, what archaeologists do and, most importantly, what they are doing in Australia. Of particular importance is the very careful handling of Aboriginal pre-history and the stressing of the responsibility which scientists and all Australians have to Aboriginal sites. The need to consult with Aboriginal communities at all levels and the duty to protect our heritage are an integral theme in the text.

Pre-history, historic and temporary archaeology are all included so that the book offers a balanced coverage of content.

This book is a welcome addition to the school library and should prove of value as a reference for both teachers and students. Congratulations to Professor Bowdler for filling a conspicuous gap on the school library shelf.

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HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

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