

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:

Summary of day 2 Date:

Digging an
Archaeological
Test Pit
Excavation
Record

Date of excavation: 19 July 2015	Site code/settlement name: SDR15
Test-pit number: TP61	Test-pit address: 29 Langborne Drive
Test-pit team names:	David Allinson
1. Judith Mills Stuart Brown	3. Joan Hilary Fawcett
2. Anne Jowett Dave Brooks	4. Becky Swift

Test Pit Location Map

Site code: SBDR 15 Test Pit number: 61

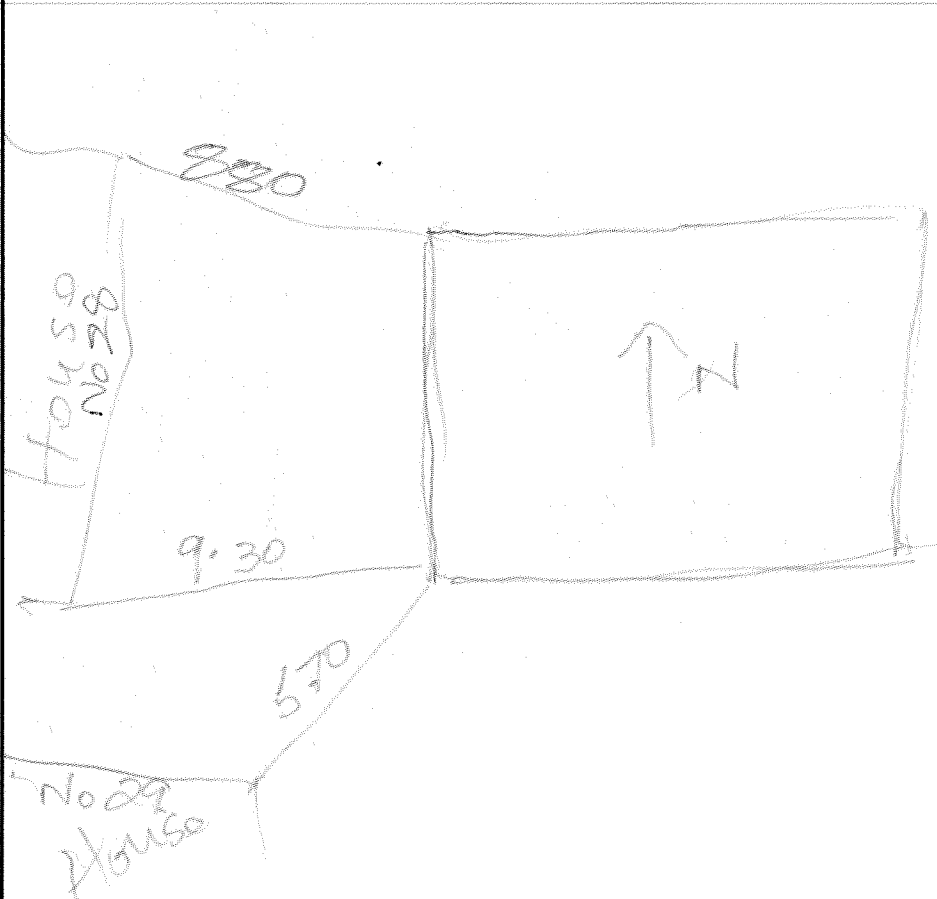
Site measured by: J. Mills

Map drawn by: J. Mills

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 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:

Garden of 29 Langhorne drive - E of path to back door, south of back lane

Section Drawings

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1 Ground surface 2

2 // clay lens Ground surface 3

3 Ground surface 4

4 clay lens + sandstone Ground surface 1



FINAL Context Record Sheet

Site code:	SBDR 15	Test Pit number:	TP 61	Context number:	7
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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 60 2 60 3 60 4 60

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



[illegible]

4 3

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

Black soil as low as 200 ft

Final Context Recording task checklist

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

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

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:	SBDRLS	Test Pit number:	TP61	Context number:	1
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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	0 cm	2	0 cm	3	0 cm	4	0 cm
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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

GRASS

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 <u>before</u> starting to dig it	
Draw plan of top of context <u>before</u> 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 <u>all</u> 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	Percent- age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone	Y	% 1	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	Y	% 99	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).

glass - white + brown
thin thick

tinno moker : coal

white pottery

fire pottery bowl

a brown glazed red pottery

medieval pot

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Context Record Sheet

Site code: SBDA7 Test Pit number: TH6 Context number: 2

Context recorded by: J Mills

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 10 2 10 3 10 4 10

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:
Soil

Recording task checklist	
Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <u>before</u> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context <u>before</u> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dig context, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved)	<u>100</u> %
Clean finds and place in clearly labelled finds tray to dry with labeled bag	
Fill in <u>all</u> 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	Percent-age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone	<u>y</u>	% <u>3</u>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand	<u>n</u>	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	<u>y</u>	% <u>95</u>	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	<u>y</u>	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	<u>y</u>	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?: 3

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).
CTP
glass
coal
brick / tile?
a bone

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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 <u>before</u> starting to dig it	
Draw plan of top of context <u>before</u> 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 <u>all</u> 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	Percent-age?	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	2	3	4
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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							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 <u>before</u> starting to dig it	
Draw plan of top of context <u>before</u> 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 <u>all</u> 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	Percent- age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
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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: SBDR
15 Test Pit number: TP61 Context number: 3

Context recorded by: Hilary Fawcett

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 20 2 20 3 20 4 20

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:

[illegible]

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

SW side orange clay lens (DB)

Recording task checklist

Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <u>before</u> starting to dig it	
Draw plan of top of context <u>before</u> 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 <u>all</u> 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	Percent- age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone	Y	% 5	Flecks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
Sand	N	%	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
Soil	Y	% 75	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
Clay		%	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
Charcoal		%	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
		%	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
		%	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large




6. What colour was this context?: 3

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).

Soil very compact

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Context Record Sheet

Site code:  Test Pit number:  Context number: 

Context recorded by: I Mills

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 30 2 30 3 30 4 30

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:

[illegible]

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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Recording task checklist

Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <u>before</u> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context <u>before</u> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fill in <u>all</u> of this Context Record Sheet	<input checked="" 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	% 2	Flecks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small	Med	Large
Sand	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	% 5	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	% 2	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large

6. What colour was this context?: 2/3

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).

Clem pipe bowls + stems
Pottery - green glazed
white glaze
Blue + white glazed.
Bone
Blue/white glass - patterned
glass - clear green / pale blue
glass - hematite sls.
Nails, metal sword.
Clog iron?
Bone -

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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
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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:

[illegible]

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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Recording task checklist

Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <u>before</u> starting to dig it	
Draw plan of top of context <u>before</u> 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 <u>all</u> 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	Percent- age?	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:	
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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:

[illegible]

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 <u>before</u> starting to dig it	
Draw plan of top of context <u>before</u> 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 <u>all</u> 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	Percent- age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone		%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
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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: SBDR15 Test Pit number: TP 61 Context number: 5

Context
recorded by: A Jewett

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 40 2 40 3 40 4 40

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:

[illegible]

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

III area of clay - Soil
no features.

Recording task checklist

Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer before starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context before 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 all of this Context Record Sheet	<input checked="" 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	Percent- age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone	Y	% 3	Flecks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small	Med	Large
Sand	N	%	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Soil	Y	% 96	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	Y	% 1	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	N	%	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).

Large rim from pot
Copper pipe
Salt glaze pot
Various pottery glazed - white,
white - blue, cream, brown
Glass - white, blue, clear green
Metal - nails & various objects.

Small mammal skeleton
- complete

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Context Record Sheet

Site code: SBDR 15 Test Pit number: TP 6 Context number: 6

Context recorded by: A Jowett

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 So 2 So 3 So 4 So

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:

[illegible]

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

Black soil no features

Recording task checklist

Task	Tick when completed
Photograph top of layer <u>before</u> starting to dig it	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Draw plan of top of context <u>before</u> 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 <u>all</u> of this Context Record Sheet	<input checked="" 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	Percent- age?	Particle size (tick each box that applies)			
Stone	Y	% 2	Flecks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small	Med	Large
Sand	N	%	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
Soil	Y	% 99	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
Clay	N	% —	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
Charcoal	N	% —	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
		%	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large
		%	Flecks	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large

6. What colour was this context?: 3

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).

Clay pipe: blue
Pottery - brown: glazed green
Rebel wood: brown
Coal
Glass: clear, green

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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
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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:

[illegible]

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 <u>before</u> starting to dig it	
Draw plan of top of context <u>before</u> 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 <u>all</u> 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	Percent- age?	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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