



# In the footsteps of Sir Douglas Mawson Gallery

## Early Years - Advanced



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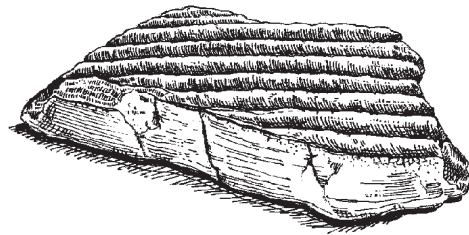
## Activity page

### Rocks

The Flinders Ranges are hot and dry now.

Has this area always been like that? \_\_\_\_\_

What clues did Mawson find to help answer this question?



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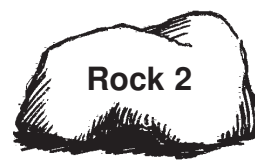
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Mawson climbed a volcano in Antarctica called Mount Erebus. He collected rocks from the volcano.

Find two of the rocks and write three words about each rock.



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## Activity page

### Clothes and **equipment**

Mawson and other expeditioners needed to wear special clothes in Antarctica.

Name the items worn and write what you think they are made of.

scarf made of wool

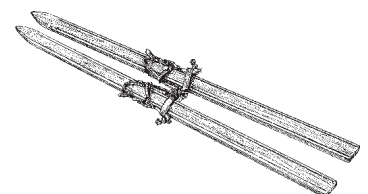
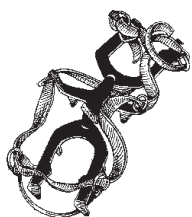


Could you make these clothes better?

What ideas could you give Sir Douglas to help him keep warm?

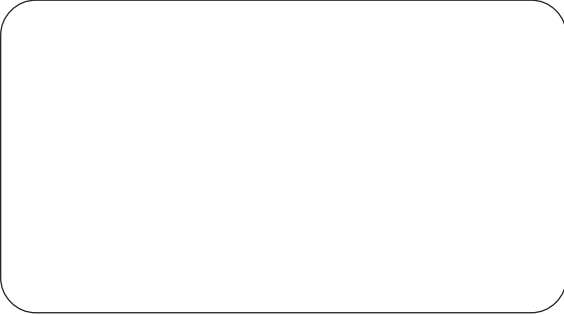
Here are some other items worn in Antarctica.

What were they used for?



### Exploring in **Antarctica**

It was not easy exploring Antarctica. Find two photographs that show something that could have caused a problem for Mawson. For each photo write what the problem was.

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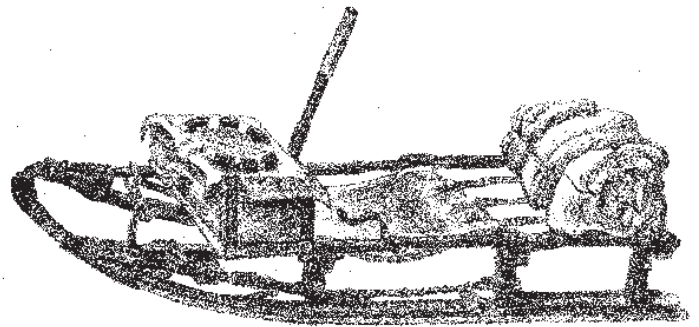
Find Mawson's half sledge.

What would be carried on the sledges?

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The sledge was much bigger when Mawson started his expedition.

Why did he cut the sledge in half?

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Australian scientists are still doing research in Antarctica.

What are three things you would like scientists to find out about Antarctica?

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## Activity page

### Exploring in **Antarctica**

Tell a story about Douglas Mawson.

Use pictures or words..

How does the story start?

What happened?

How does the story end?