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BARROW ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP

TEST PIT
RECORDING BOOKLET

Site Code:	BCD 5-6 926	**Test Pit number:**	9

Test Pit location:	TRIANGLE FIELD	**Grid reference:**	

Test Pit team names:	**Date of excavation:** 5/9/26
1. HEATHER SMITH	**2.** ROSIE HAMILTON
3. BETH HAMILTON.	**4.** GARETH STAFFORD (SATURDAY.
5.	**6.**

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TEST PIT LOCATION MAP

Map drawn by:	

Make an annotated sketch plan of the test-pits location.

- Show where the test-pit is in relation to features such as houses, boundaries, roads, walls etc. These need to be features that can be found on an Ordnance Survey map.
- Include lines showing the exact distances from the test-pit to permanently identifiable points such as buildings or field corners.
- Draw your test-pit as a square with the corners numbered 1-4, to correlate with the numbers on each Layer plan.
- Draw an arrow showing the direction of North on your map.
- **REMEMBER:** Your plan needs to be understandable to someone who doesn't know the site.

TEST-PIT COMPLETION CHECKLIST		NAME:	
TASK	**COMPLETED**	**TASK**	**COMPLETED**
All Layer sheets completed		Test Pit located with GPS	
Section drawings completed		Test Pit back-filled	
Location map completed		Loaned equipment returned	
Post-excavation photograph taken		Test Pit record form and finds handed in	
All finds bagged and labelled		**SIGNED OFF:**	

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LAYER RECORD FORM

Layer recorded by: Beth Hamilton

Layer number: 1

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

1	0cm	2	0cm	3	0cm	4	0cm

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

3. Draw an arrow in the box below pointing in the direction of North on your plan.



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

Top grass layer

5. What was the soil composition of this Layer? Use **GUIDE 1** on page 1.

Dry - mostly stone

6. What colour was this Layer? Use **GUIDE 2** on page 1.

mid brown

7. What was in this Layer (apart from finds)? Write non-listed inclusions into blank rows if necessary. **GUIDE 3.**

	Present y/n	%	Inclusion size (tick all boxes that apply)			
Stone	Y	35	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	N		Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand	N		Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	N		Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Roots	Y	5	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large

8. What finds were in this Layer? Tick the relevant boxes and/or list any other finds in the space below.

None		Pottery	
Glass		Metal	
Flint	✓	Bone	
Building material		Shell	

none worked flint pieces

RECORDING CHECKLIST	
Task:	**Tick when completed:**
Draw plan of layer **BEFORE** starting to dig it.	✓
Dig Layer, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved).	0 %
Place finds in clearly labelled bag (write site code, test pit number and Layer number on bag).	✓
Fill in **ALL** of this **LAYER RECORD FORM**.	

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LAYER RECORD FORM

Layer recorded by: Beth Hamiller

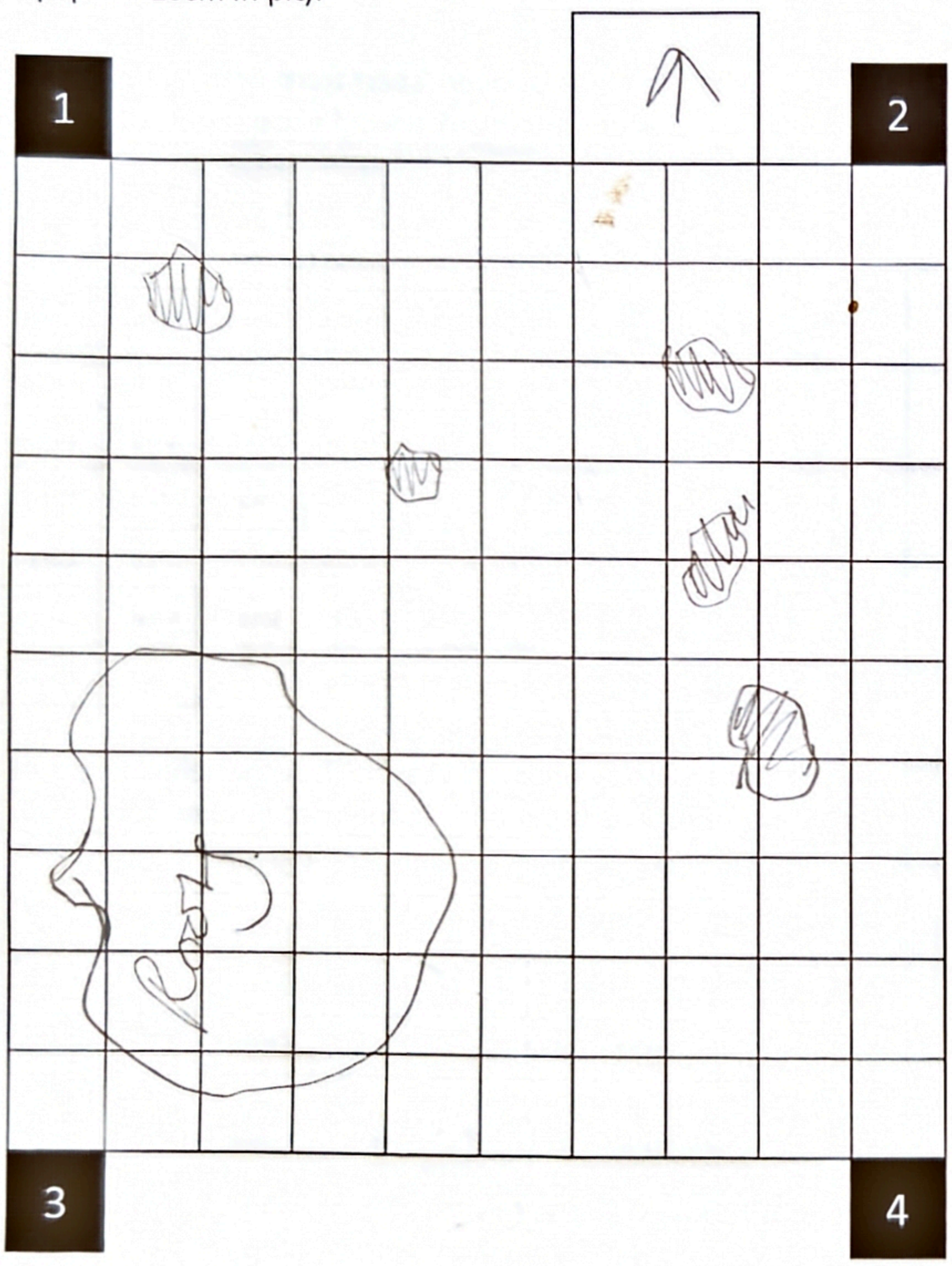
Layer number: 2

1. What depth is the surface of the top of this Layer 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 Layer in the square grid below (1cm on paper = 10cm in pit).

3. Draw an arrow in the box below pointing in the direction of North on your plan.



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

(L) bottom corner v rooty

(L) top fairly clear

Very stoney

5. What was the soil composition of this Layer? Use **GUIDE 1** on page 1.

Dry - mostly stone

6. What colour was this Layer? Use **GUIDE 2** on page 1.

mid brown

7. What was in this Layer (apart from finds)? Write non-listed inclusions into blank rows if necessary. **GUIDE 3.**

	Present y/n	%	Inclusion size (tick all boxes that apply)			
Stone	Y	75	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Charcoal	N		Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand	N		Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	N		Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Roots	Y	5	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large

8. What finds were in this Layer? Tick the relevant boxes and/or list any other finds in the space below.

None		Pottery	
Glass		Metal	
Flint	✓	Bone	
Building material	✓	Shell	

Tiny piece of building material / brick

RECORDING CHECKLIST	
Task:	**Tick when completed:**
Draw plan of layer **BEFORE** starting to dig it.	✓
Dig Layer, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved).	100 %
Place finds in clearly labelled bag (write site code, test pit number and Layer number on bag).	✓
Fill in **ALL** of this **LAYER RECORD FORM**.	

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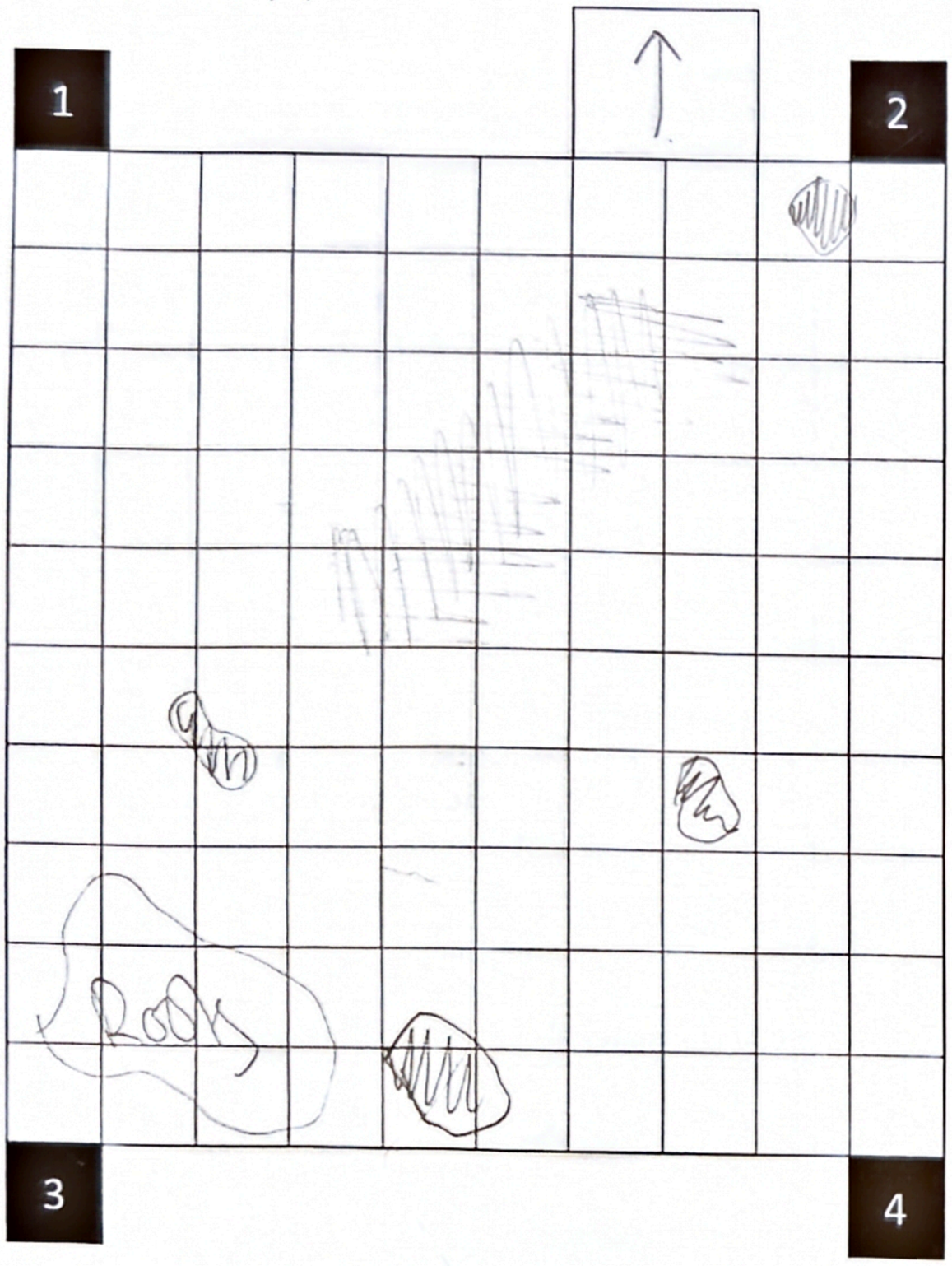
Layer recorded by: Ben Hamilton **Layer number:** 3

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

1	19	2	20	3	20	4	23

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

3. Draw an arrow in the box below pointing in the direction of North on your plan.



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

Smaller area of roots corner ③ shaded area to corner ② dense area of stone

5. What was the soil composition of this Layer? Use **GUIDE 1** on page 1.

silty clay

6. What colour was this Layer? Use **GUIDE 2** on page 1.

mid brown

7. What was in this Layer (apart from finds)? Write non-listed inclusions into blank rows if necessary. **GUIDE 3.**

	Present y/n	%	Inclusion size (tick all boxes that apply)			
Stone	Y	65	(Flecks)	(Small)	(Med)	(Large)
Charcoal	N		Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Sand	N		Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	Y	<5	Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Roots	Y	<5	(Flecks)	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large

8. What finds were in this Layer? Tick the relevant boxes and/or list any other finds in the space below.

None		Pottery	✓
Glass		Metal	✓
Flint	✓	Bone	
Building material		Shell	

Victorian pottery
small brick pieces
Metal nail? corroded

RECORDING CHECKLIST	
Task:	**Tick when completed:**
Draw plan of layer **BEFORE** starting to dig it.	✓
Dig Layer, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved).	✓ 6%
Place finds in clearly labelled bag (write site code, test pit number and Layer number on bag).	
Fill in **ALL** of this **LAYER RECORD FORM**.	

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LAYER RECORD FORM

Layer recorded by: Ben Hamilton

Layer number: 4

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

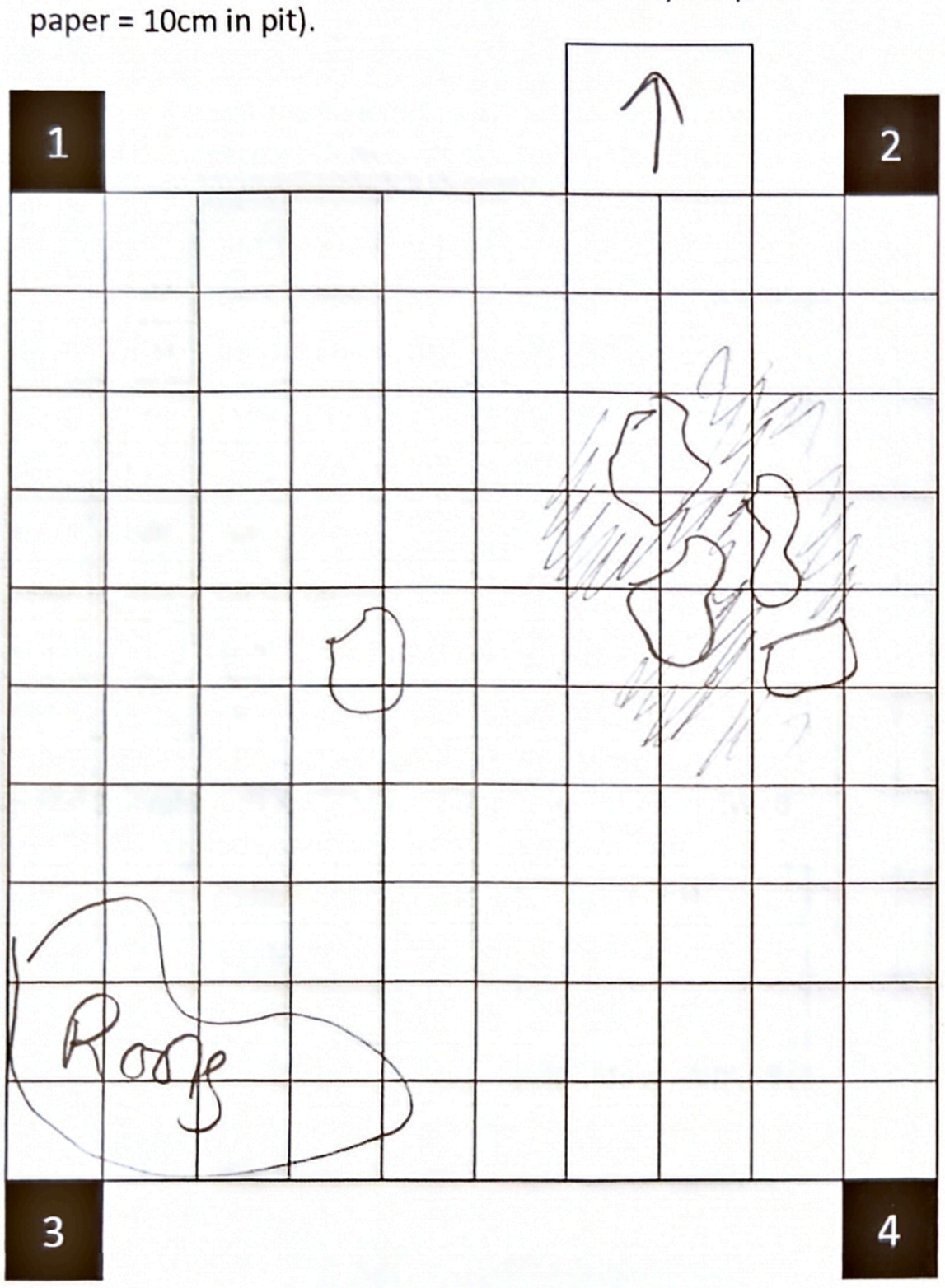
1 30cm 2 30cm 3 30cm 4 30cm

5. What was the soil composition of this Layer? Use **GUIDE 1** on page 1.

Silty clay

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

3. Draw an arrow in the box below pointing in the direction of North on your plan.



6. What colour was this Layer? Use **GUIDE 2** on page 1.

Mid brown

7. What was in this Layer (apart from finds)? Write non-listed inclusions into blank rows if necessary. **GUIDE 3.**

	Present y/n	%	Inclusion size (tick all boxes that apply)			
Stone	Y	<5	(Flecks)	(Small)	Med	Large
Charcoal	Y	<5	Flecks	(Small)	Med	Large
Sand	N		Flecks	Small	Med	Large
Clay	Y		Flecks	(Small)	(Med)	Large
Roots	N		Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large
			Flecks	Small	Med	Large

8. What finds were in this Layer? Tick the relevant boxes and/or list any other finds in the space below.

None		Pottery	✓
Glass		Metal	
Flint	✓	Bone	
Building material		Shell	

small fragments glazed pottery x2.

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

① bottom small area roots
Shaded area top right dense stones
Appears less large stones/ more soil than prev layers.

RECORDING CHECKLIST	
Task:	**Tick when completed:**
Draw plan of layer **BEFORE** starting to dig it.	✓
Dig Layer, sieve spoil, keep and record finds (record percentage sieved).	%
Place finds in clearly labelled bag (write site code, test pit number and Layer number on bag).	✓
Fill in **ALL** of this **LAYER RECORD FORM**.	

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SECTION DRAWINGS FORM

Sections recorded by: Beth Hamilton

Make a measured, labelled section of each side of your test pit in the square grids below (1cm on paper = 10cm in pit).

