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'At one time archeologists were content to excavate objects so that they could be displayed in museums or private homes ... the aim of archaeology today is to discover as complete a picture as possible of life in the past.' In her well-researched, authoritative yet thoroughly approachable book, Norah Moloney explores and analyses the many ways in which archaeologists currently find and interpret evidence. Within 160 profusely illustrated, fact-packed pages, she covers a tremendous amount of territory both historically and geographically, but has wisely chosen to involve the reader through a series of carefully selected case studies. These range from Olduvai Gorge in Tanzania where our earliest known ancestors lived, to the Garbage Project which began in the U.S.A. in 1973 and uses archaeological techniques in order to gain a more accurate picture of modern life. This is a fascinating book which will appeal to discerning teenagers who enjoy getting their teeth into something a lot more demanding than bite-size chunks served up in double-page spreads.

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