



Dichotomous key for identification and Classification of fossils

1. Reproduce:

- a morphological aspect of the organism2 - **Somatofossil**
- a mark of the activity of the organism2- **Icnofossil**

2. The fossil has:

- 3 dimensions3
- 2 dimensions**Print**

3. It is observed:

- the mould of the organism.....5
- the organism or parts of the organism wholly conserved4

4. It is observed:

- the organism, parts of the organism or marks of organism activity preserved in rocks**Mineralization**
- the fully preserved organism**Total Conservation**

5. The mould is:

- the organism's "negative"6
- the organism's replic.....**Counter mold**

6. The mold reproduces:

- the outside of the organism**Outside mould**
- the inside of the organism.....**Inside mould**

