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Ancient Animal Skeletons

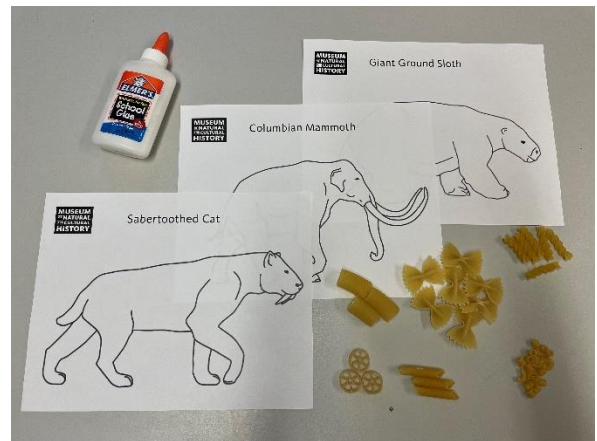
A big part of learning about natural history is studying animals. Many animals used to live here in Oregon during the last Ice Age. Many of them went extinct just over 11,000 years ago. Scientists know about these animals from the fossils (or remains) of them like their bones. With this craft little ones can build an animal skeleton out of pasta, just like a scientist would with fossil bones.

You'll need:

- Animal outline printed or blank paper
- Different sizes and shapes of dried pasta
- Glue

What to do:

1. Choose an ancient animal outline or create your own. For younger children, prepare ahead of time by roughly drawing the skeleton as an outline for them to follow.
2. Using an assortment of pasta, layout pieces to form a skeleton of an ancient animal.
3. Mix them up and make a different animal skeleton or glue the pasta to the paper to keep your creation. What bones does an animal have?



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