

## Dragon's blood

### What is a fjord?

Well, first, you have to know how to say it – this is not an English word. [What is that ‘j’ doing there?]

Anyway, in English, to make the proper sound, you could say, “Fee Ord”.



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OK, this is a Fee Ord. Sorry, fjord.

It just looks like a river. Yes, but look at the banks. You see it looks like the river is running between two walls of rock. As if something has cut the mountains to make way for the river.

Fjords are formed by glaciers. Glaciers are rivers where the river is not running water – but hard ice. What happens is the river of ice scrapes down to the sea. So, it is ice that cuts the sides of the mountains and forms the walls of rock.

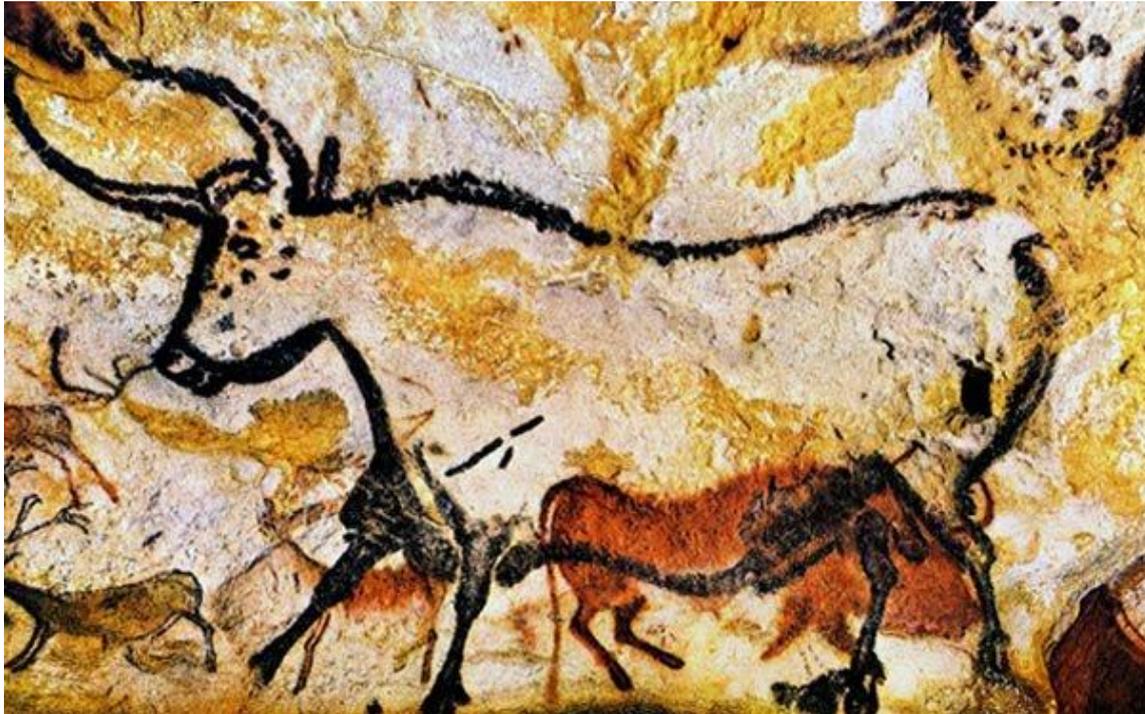


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This is a glacier in Alaska. You can see that this is ice and you can imagine it scraping and pushing rocks aside.



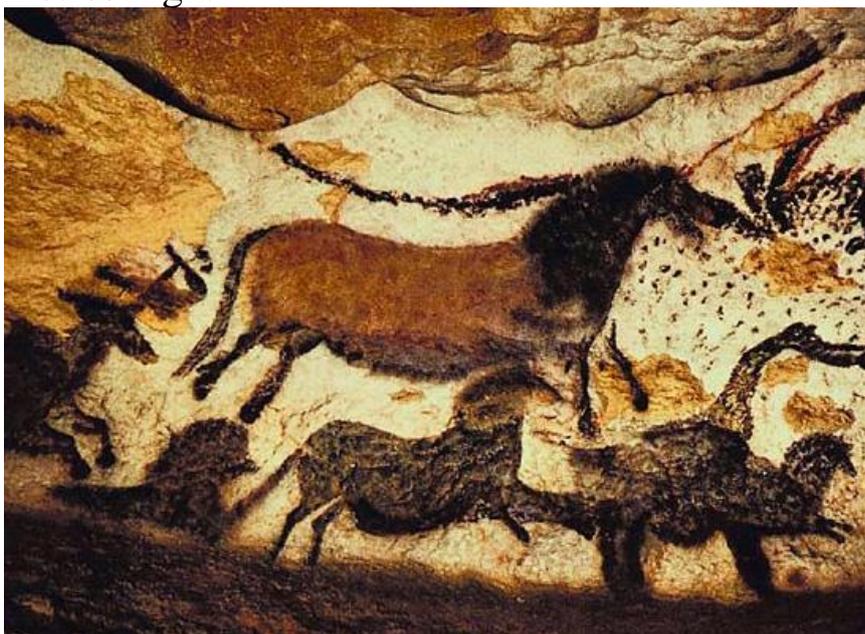
## Lascaux Cave Paintings



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These amazing paintings were found on the walls of the Lascaux caves in France.

They were painted by Stone Age people 25,000 years ago. There are about 200 drawings and paintings of different animals. Some are 6 metres high.



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They were found in 1940 – a bit before your grandparents were born.

They were found by four boys. They lost their dog. They looked for it and in a grassy area, they found a hole in the ground. They thought the dog may have fallen into this hole and made it bigger so they could squeeze down themselves.

They found themselves in this magic set of connected caves – full of paintings which had not been seen for many thousands of years. Nobody had known that Stone Age people were so clever.

Also, nobody knows if they found their dog, or where it had been, and if they gave it a special dinner that night.

## Dragon's blood tree

The Dragon's blood tree has an unusual appearance. It is related to the palm tree. Its sap is red – which is why blood is in its name.



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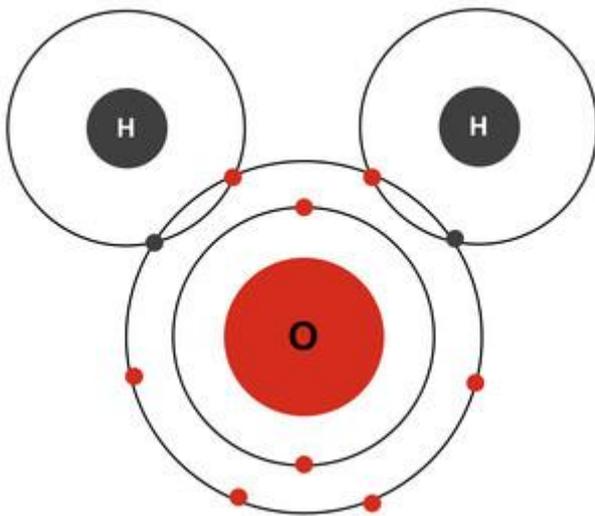
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It only grows in one place in the world – on Socotra island – which belongs to the country Yemen.



## Water

We said that elements are stuff that is the same all the way through.  
We said there was gold and mercury and oxygen and hydrogen.  
Oxygen and hydrogen are both gases, so they float around in the air.  
BUT, if a piece [atom] of oxygen joins up with two pieces [atoms] of hydrogen, you get a piece of water – which is a liquid and makes you wet. Now, that is pretty weird!!!



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Above is a piece [molecule] of water. When we first saw this molecule of water, we thought it was Mickey Mouse. The atoms join up when those whizzing bits [electrons] link up.

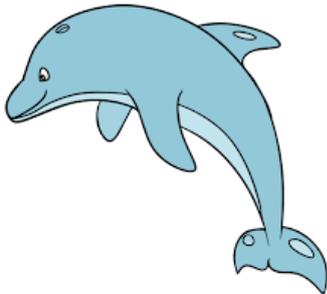
**Knock, knock.**

**Who's there?**

**Razor.**

**Razor who?**

**Razor hands, this is a stick up!**



**Q: What did the lettuce say to the celery?**

**A: Quit stalking me!**

**Q: What do you call a boy with a dictionary in his pocket?**

**A: Smartie Pants!**