

**PARENT NOTES: Fingerprints!**

# FINGERPRINT SCOPE



Today we learned about fingerprints and why they are useful to forensic scientists for solving crimes. We learned to take our own fingerprints, and made a special viewing scope to let us compare two fingerprints at a time.

## ASK YOUR CHILD

**What did you make today?**

(A fingerprint viewing scope and some fingerprint slides)

**Do we have the same fingerprints as each other?**

(No, fingerprints are unique to each person)

**How do fingerprints help to solve crimes?**

(Forensic scientists look for and lift fingerprints from crime scenes and compare them to other prints, to eliminate suspects from criminal investigations).