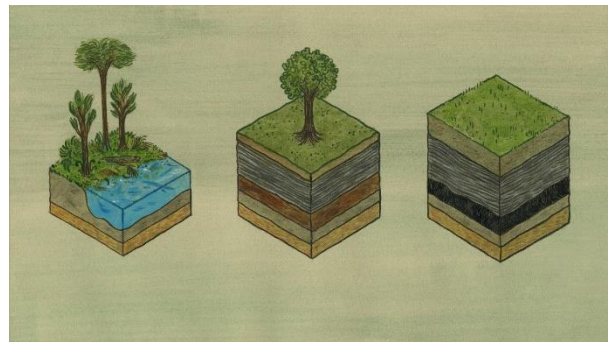
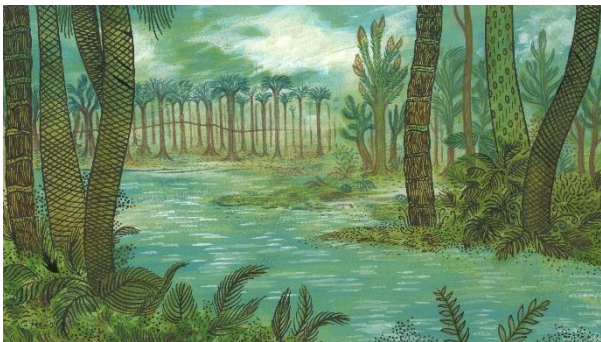
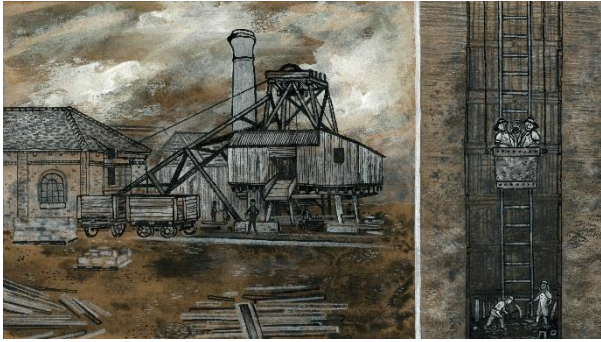


The Formation and mining of coal

Can you match the pictures to the description?



People discovered coal under the ground. From around the 1700, they started to tunnel underground and dig it out to burn as a type of fuel.

More layers of mud and plant material built up. These squashed the layers underneath. This pressure, and heat from further underground, turned the peat into coal.

280 million years ago the Earth was covered in jungles and swamps.

The layers of coal are called seams. They were hidden underground for millions of years.

When plants and animals died, they fell into the swamps and got covered with water and mud. The dead trees started to decompose and turn into peat.

