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Underground Anyone?

Creede Underground Mining Museum

Educational Activity Background: Creede has had an incredible silver mining history beginning in 1889 continuing until 1985 when the last mine, the Bulldog Mine, closed down. The Creede Underground Mining Museum is a tribute to that history, as it was built totally underground by locals in the early 1990's. Tours are led by retired miners who explain methods of mining and the equipment.

Activity: For those who haven't been around the mining industry, many of the terms used to describe the mining process are unfamiliar. Complete the crossword puzzle to help you remember the new vocabulary you have learned during your tour.

- [Grades K-2 Crossword Puzzle](#)
 - [Answer Key](#)
- [Grade 3-5 Crossword Puzzle](#)
 - [Answer Key](#)

Additional Resources:

Interested in learning more about mining? The 17-mile [Bachelor Loop historic driving tour](#) loops through Creede taking visitors to Creede's historic mining district and ghost towns in the area. Guidebooks are located at the Creede Visitors Center.

Interested about learning more about Creede's mining history? Watch this [26-minute video](#) about the mining experience in Creede.