

**TABLE 5.3 Hazards of Archaeology**

HAZARDS	EXAMPLES
Exposure to disease	Exposure to disease-carrying insects, contaminated buried remains, rusty nails, and infected needles
Exposure to toxic wastes of various kinds	Ranging from nuclear waste to the legacies of many sorts of industrial sites
Wildlife encounters	Spiders, snakes, ticks, insects of many kinds, bears, and cougars
Working in difficult terrain and deep units	Falling down cliffs, collapsing walls of excavation units
Field living in general	Extreme weather, unsanitary water, contaminated food, poisonous plants