

Chapter 5 Questions

1. What kinds of human adaptations do bioarchaeologists study? (Hint: Think about examples of health and life history.)
2. How do bioarchaeologists interpret behavior through human remains?
3. How have osteological collections provided an understanding of modern human variation? Why are archaeological samples more useful than traditional osteological collections to understand intra-population variability? (Hint: Think about the representativeness of the respective samples.)
4. How can bioarchaeologists contribute to an understanding of health?
5. How have the research foci of bioarchaeological studies changed with new advances in the field? (Hint: Think about DNA analysis, genome sequencing, stable isotope analyses.)