Lucy’s Child: The Discovery of a Human Ancestor

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Lucy’s Child: The Discovery of a Human Ancestor: Amazon.co.uk Cover image for Lucy’s child: the discovery of a human ancestor. From the first discovery of an ancient primate fossil to the laser analysis of bones, a leading author leads you on a journey to meet one of the most well-known human ancestor fossils. Lucy, a 3.2 million-year-old fossil skeleton of a hominid, was discovered in 1974. The fossils were discovered by Zeresenay Alemseged, and are housed in the National Museum of Ethiopia.

Have you ever wondered who some of the earliest ancestors of the human race were? Six years after the finding of Selam's fossil, the discovery was it is fascinating how Lucy's baby has more human traits than other. Lucy and Ardi are the poster children of human evolution. The pair made several discoveries at Tanzania's Olduvai Gorge in the 1950s and