

# A First Book Of Dinosaurs

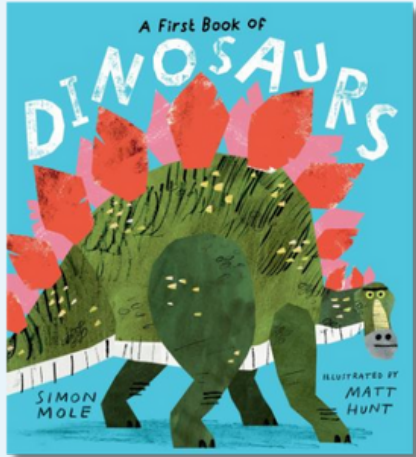
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# BOOK TALK CARDS



Spark discussion and foster a reading community with our top picks



## ABOUT THE BOOK

Fascinating facts about dinosaurs are transformed into poetry and fragments, alongside vibrant illustrations.



## OUR THOUGHTS

"It's an excellent combination of expressive language and lively illustration, making for great leisure non-fiction. Lots of fun for dino fans!"



## THEMES:

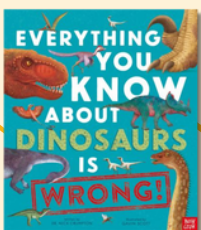
- Curiosity
- Feelings
- Expression

## TIME TO TALK

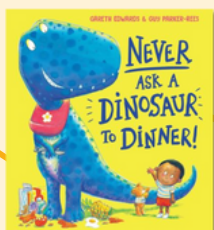


- 1 What word in 'Triceratops' indicates panic or danger to you?
- 2 Have you felt in a panic? How do you manage this?
- 3 Can you find any other words in this poem which have been chosen to make the dinosaur seem intimidating or fierce?
- 4 'Argentinosaurus' uses lots of similes to help you imagine the dinosaur. Can you create a simile to describe your friend? Can other children guess who your simile describes?
- 5 The Stegosaurus has 'a line of warning signs along its back' – are there any ways you or other people show their warning signs? How can you respond?
- 6 Read 'The Herd' – what does being in a herd or family mean to you?
- 7 Where do you belong or who do you belong to?
- 8 Which animals today look a little bit like parts of dinosaurs? Do you have a favourite dinosaur?

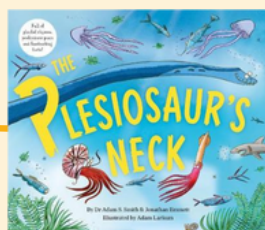
## TAKE THE TEXT FURTHER WITH OUR TOP 5 TITLES TO CONTINUE THE THEME:



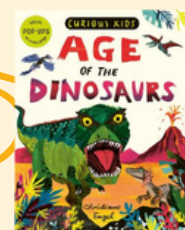
Everything You Know About Dinosaurs Is Wrong! by Nick Crumpton and Gavin Scott



Never Ask A Dinosaur To Dinner by Gareth Edwards and Guy Parker-Rees (illustrator)



The Plesiosaur's Neck by Dr Adam S. Smith, Jonathan Emmett, and Adam Larkum (illustrator)



Age of the Dinosaurs by Jonny Marx and Christiane Engel (illustrator)



She Rex by Michelle Robinson and Deborah Allwright (illustrator)