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and filled many different ecolog	cessful animals. They lived on all continents except Antarctica ical niches. Some dinosaurs were predators, while others were aurs lived in forests, while others lived in open plains.
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<u>A</u>	re dinosaurs alive today?
<u>'</u>	When did dinosaurs live?
<u>Where</u>	couldn't dinosaurs be found?

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Describe a dinosaur	using these adjectives:
gigantic, terrifying,	plant-eating, armored,
three-horned, fa	st, meat-eating, long-
necked	l, powerful

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## DINOSAURS



## Important facts:

- Dinosaurs were not alive today. They lived millions of years ago, during a time called the Mesozoic Era.
- Dinosaurs were reptiles. They had scales, claws, and teeth.
- Dinosaurs came in many different shapes and sizes. Some were small, like chickens. Others were huge, like elephants.
- Some dinosaurs were plant-eaters. They ate leaves, fruits, and ferns.
- Other dinosaurs were meat-eaters. They ate other dinosaurs, small animals, and fish.
- Dinosaurs had some unique features that set them apart from reptiles. For example, they walked upright on their legs, and they had more complex brains.
- Dinosaurs lived all over the world, except for Antarctica.
- Dinosaurs disappeared from Earth about 66 million years ago. The exact cause of their extinction is still debated, but it is thought to have been caused by a large asteroid impact.
- Scientists learn about dinosaurs by studying fossils. Fossils are the remains or traces of ancient organisms.
- Dinosaurs continue to fascinate people of all ages. They are popular subjects in books, movies, and television shows.

