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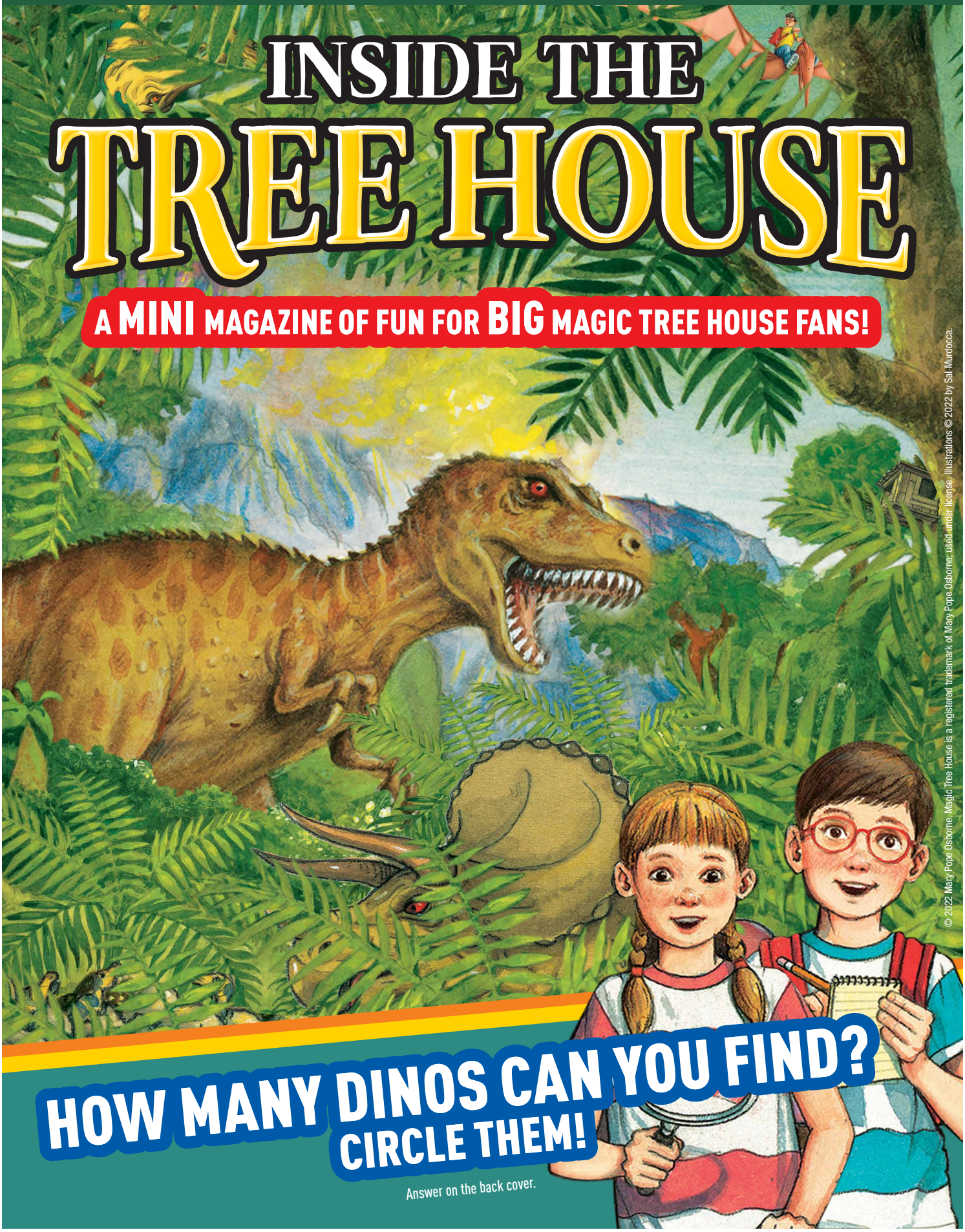
INSIDE THE TREE HOUSE

A MINI MAGAZINE OF FUN FOR BIG MAGIC TREE HOUSE FANS!



HOW MANY DINOS CAN YOU FIND? CIRCLE THEM!

Answer on the back cover.

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VIEWS FROM THE TREE HOUSE

Mary Pope Osborne

Natalie Pope Boyce

We recently caught up with Mary Pope Osborne, author of Magic Tree House and Merlin Missions, and Natalie Pope Boyce, author of the Magic Tree House Fact Trackers, and asked them a few questions!

Kids love learning and reading about dinosaurs! Do you have a favorite dinosaur?

Natalie: My favorite dinosaur is the plant-eating *Pegomastax*. Some scientists say it must have looked like a cross between a parrot and a porcupine! It had super-sharp teeth and two small tusks!

How have you found new ways to reach Magic Tree House fans?

Mary: I've been discovering new ways to use technology to connect with readers. I've made a number of videos for the Magic Tree House website, and I've had some great Zoom experiences with audiences of kids. I still miss meeting readers in person . . . and can't wait to get back to that soon.

You've written TONS of Fact Trackers over the years. Do any moments or memories stick out to you?

Natalie: I have many favorite memories with our Magic Tree House fans . . . they are all so much fun! But one moment I'll cherish is when we went to our local elementary school and the kids greeted us in Magic Tree House costumes, sang Magic Tree House songs, and led us on a parade down the hall that was decorated with Magic Tree House art.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH JACK AND ANNIE!

PREHISTORIC

Jack and Annie come across a mysterious tree house while walking in the woods near their home in Frog Creek, Pennsylvania.

But where did the tree house come from?

Before Jack and Annie can find out, the mysterious tree house whisks them to the past—the Cretaceous Period, over 65 million years ago! They find themselves in a valley filled with dinosaurs, and they encounter animals long extinct.

Now they have to figure out how to get home. Can they do it before dark . . . or will they become a dinosaur's dinner?

This fun first adventure in the oldest time period Jack and Annie ever visited is now a graphic novel!

MAGIC TREE HOUSE GRAPHIC NOVELS

Experience Jack and Annie's favorite adventures in a BRAND-NEW way!

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WORD SEARCH

Can you find these dinosaur-themed words?

DINOSAUR T REX FOSSIL PTERANODON
CRETACEOUS EXTINCT REPTILE

S D I N O S A U R W
T X S Z F O K F N H
T L B J F O S S I L
E C T S E Q B D H I
T I N E L I T P E R
R R U I C Y Z X U J
B Q E Y T Z F K P Q
W E Y X Z X H H W L
C R E T A C E O U S
N O D O N A R E T P

Answer on back.

T-REX MAZE

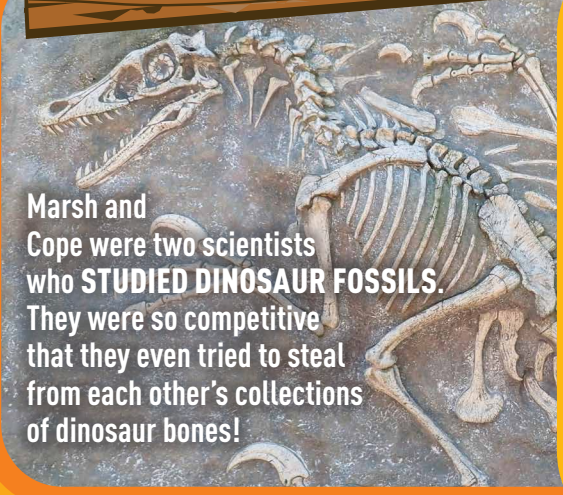
Help Jack and Annie return safely to their tree house!

Start

Finish

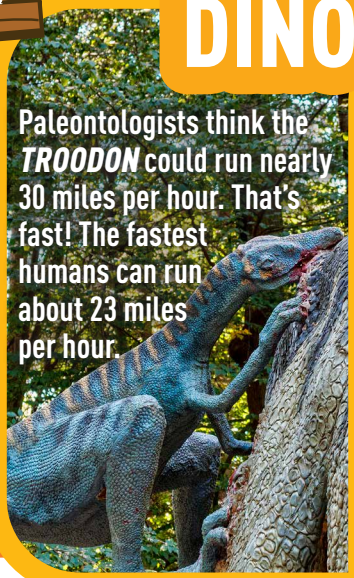
Answer on back.

FACT TRACKER



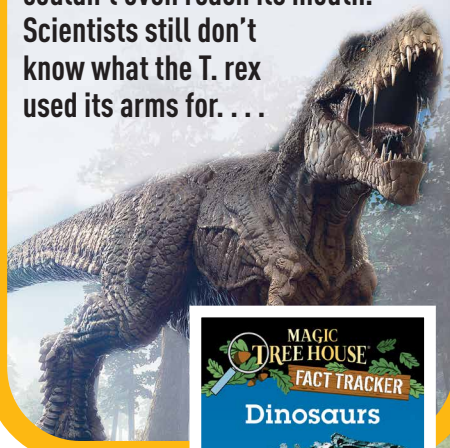
Marsh and Cope were two scientists who **STUDIED DINOSAUR FOSSILS.** They were so competitive that they even tried to steal from each other's collections of dinosaur bones!

DO YOU KNOW THESE DINOSAUR FACTS?

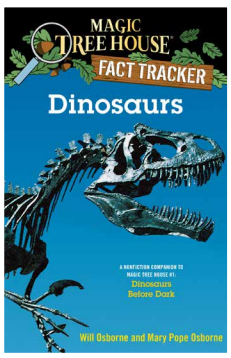


Paleontologists think the ***TROODON*** could run nearly 30 miles per hour. That's fast! The fastest humans can run about 23 miles per hour.

The ***T. REX*** had really strong legs. But its arms were so short they couldn't even reach its mouth. Scientists still don't know what the T. rex used its arms for. . . .



The **DINOSAUR** with the longest **NAME** is the micropachycephalosaurus (MY-cro-PACK-ee-SEF-uh-lo-SOAR-us). It means "tiny" (micro) "thick" (pachy) "head" (cephalo) "lizard" (saurus).



Track more facts in this book!

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POPSICLE STICK DINOSAUR CRAFT FUN!

Create your own "pet" dinosaur with this craft idea!

Ask an adult's permission before using scissors!

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- Popsicle sticks
- Green paint
- Glue
- Card stock or heavy paper
- Scissors
- Colored pens, pencils, markers, or crayons

STEP 1:

Paint three Popsicle sticks green and let them dry. Once they are dry, glue them into a triangle.

STEP 2:

Create a body for your dinosaur. Have an adult help you cut these shapes out of paper:

- A large triangle for the body
- A long oval for the tail
- A few small, triangular spikes for the back
- Two rectangles for the legs
- An L-shape for the head

STEP 3:

Glue the large triangle representing the body onto the back of the Popsicle sticks. Then glue the head, tail, legs, and spikes onto the dinosaur and let the glue dry.

STEP 3:

Once dry, use drawing utensils to draw a face and a design on your dinosaur. Now you've made a dinosaur for the (prehistoric) ages!

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DINO JAWS CRAFT FUN!

Make your own dino jaws using the instructions below.

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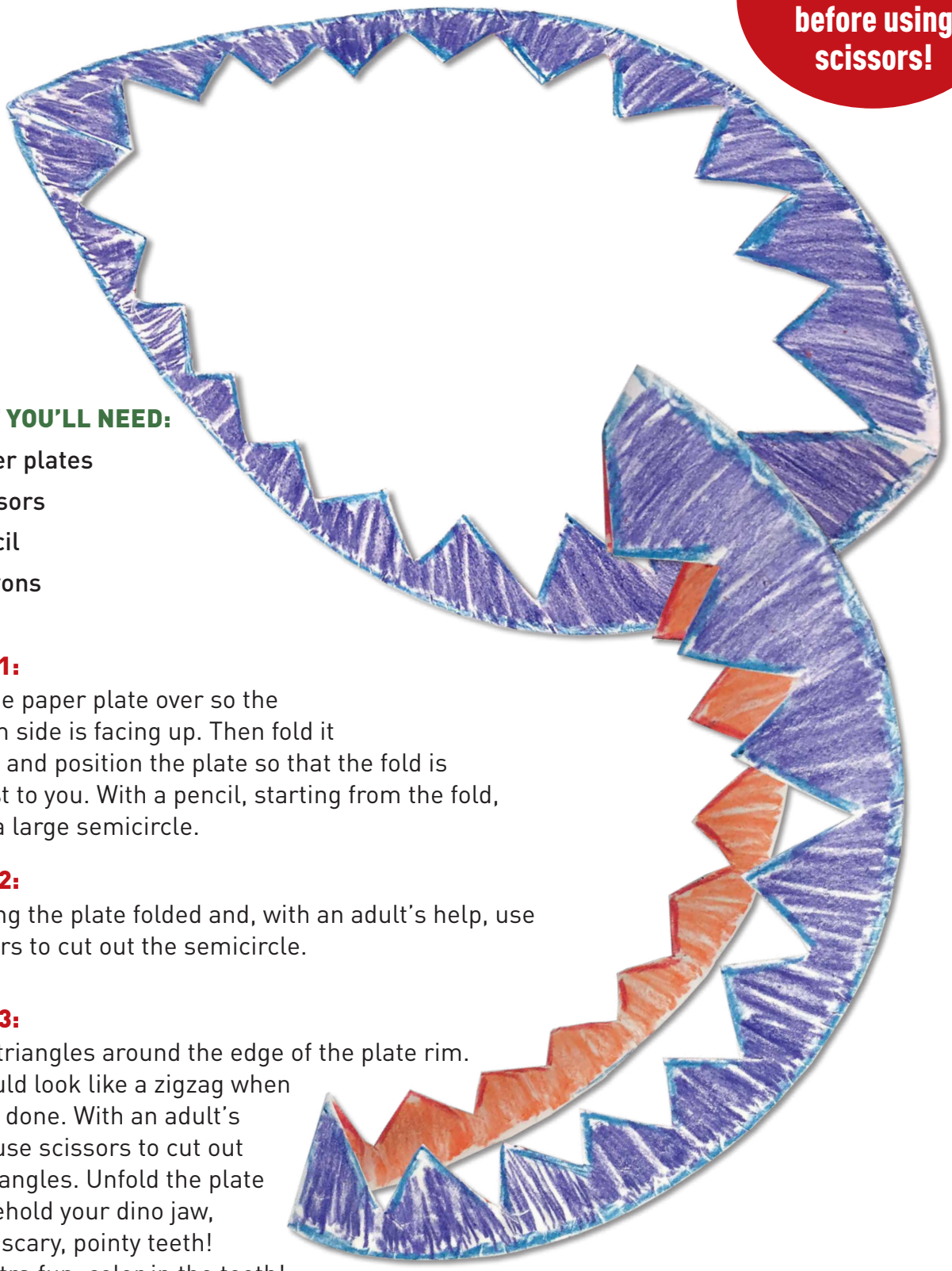

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- Paper plates
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Crayons

STEP 1:

Flip the paper plate over so the bottom side is facing up. Then fold it in half and position the plate so that the fold is closest to you. With a pencil, starting from the fold, draw a large semicircle.

STEP 2:

Keeping the plate folded and, with an adult's help, use scissors to cut out the semicircle.

STEP 3:

Draw triangles around the edge of the plate rim. It should look like a zigzag when you're done. With an adult's help, use scissors to cut out the triangles. Unfold the plate and behold your dino jaw, full of scary, pointy teeth! For extra fun, color in the teeth!

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ADVENTURE IS WAITING INSIDE EVERY BOOK!

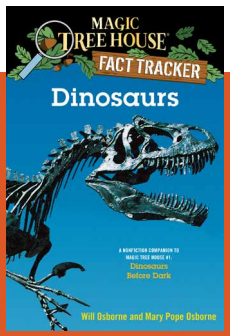
SCAVENGER HUNT

Help Jack and Annie Find These Things!

Jack and Annie are searching for a few things before they head out on their next adventure. Can you help them by finding these items in your house and in your backyard?

Checklist

- [ ] A bright-colored flower
- [ ] A tall tree
- [ ] A stuffed animal
- [ ] A ball or other toy an animal would like
- [ ] A book about an animal
- [ ] A furry or feathered animal
- [ ] A loud or quiet animal
- [ ] A butterfly



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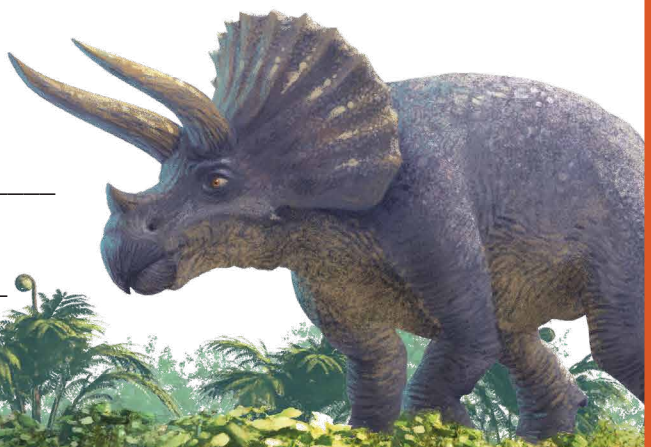
Now that you've gone on your scavenger hunt, write your own adventure story about it. Did anybody help you? Was it hard to find some of these things, or was it easy? Did you find other cool things in your search? Write your answers here to create a Magic Tree House adventure of your very own!



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Created for teachers like you who have inspired Mary for 30 years with your dedication and creative use of Magic Tree House books.

Mary's program is a **Gift of Time** to teachers striving to find creative ways to inspire their students and still meet curriculum standards.

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- **Reading Level Guide** for all Magic Tree House books and Fact Trackers.
- **Comprehensive Lesson Plans** for every Magic Tree House book and Fact Tracker.

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ANSWERS

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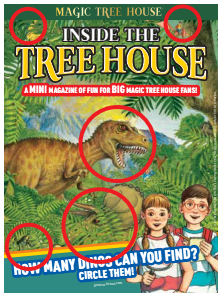

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T X S Z F O K F N H
T L B J F O S S I L
E C T S E Q B D H I
T I N E L I T P E R
R R U I C Y Z X U J
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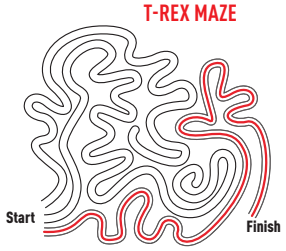
T-REX MAZE



TRIVIA TIME

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