

# Answers for Kids

BIBLE CURRICULUM

## What about Dinosaurs? Part I

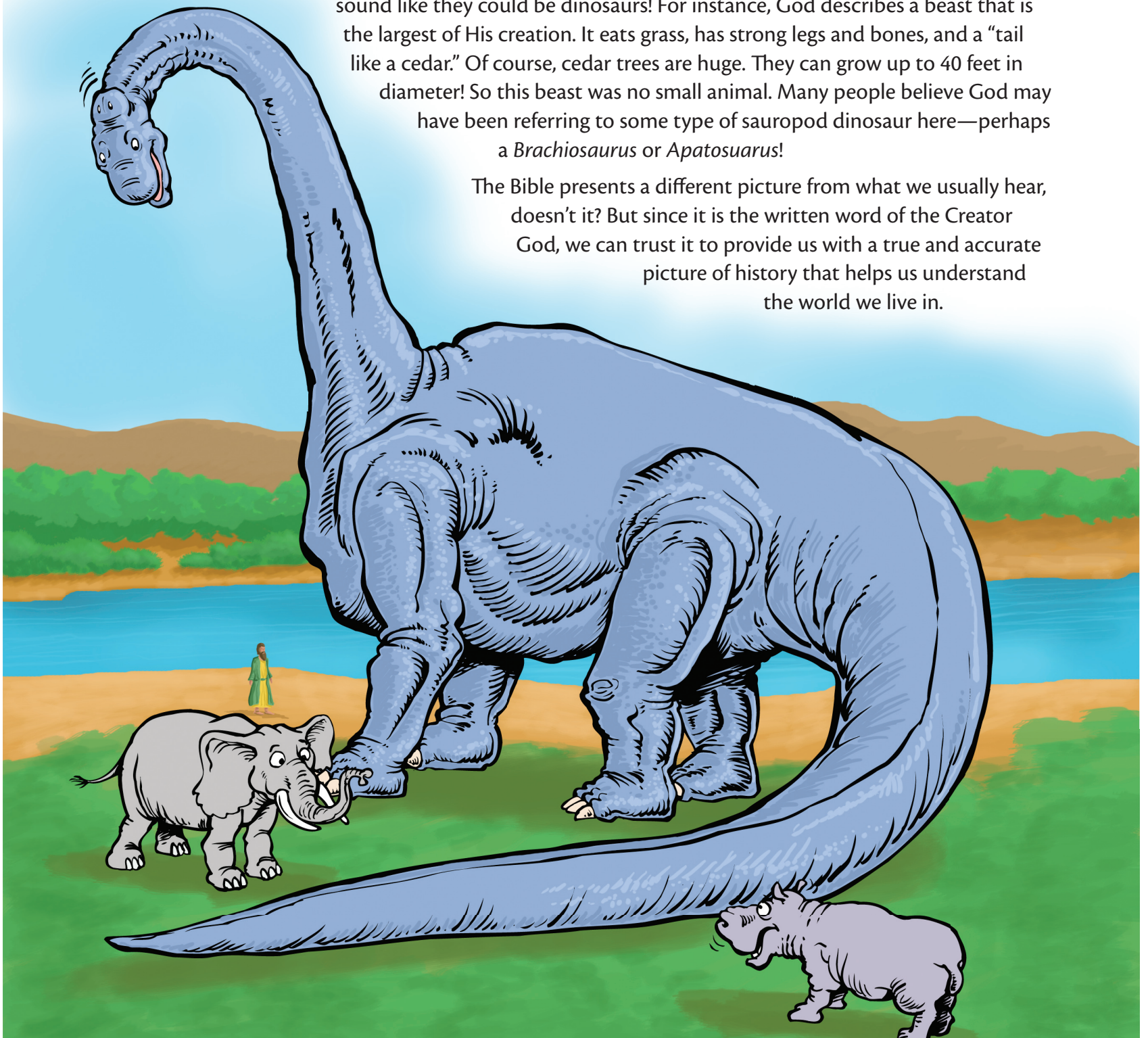
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**“Look now at the behemoth, which I made along with you; he eats grass like an ox . . . He moves his tail like a cedar; the sinews of his thighs are tightly knit” (Job 40:15, 17).**

The Bible doesn't use the actual *word* dinosaur (which was first invented in 1841). But it uses some very interesting phrases to describe creatures that sound like they could be dinosaurs! For instance, God describes a beast that is the largest of His creation. It eats grass, has strong legs and bones, and a “tail like a cedar.” Of course, cedar trees are huge. They can grow up to 40 feet in diameter! So this beast was no small animal. Many people believe God may have been referring to some type of sauropod dinosaur here—perhaps a *Brachiosaurus* or *Apatosaurus*!

The Bible presents a different picture from what we usually hear, doesn't it? But since it is the written word of the Creator God, we can trust it to provide us with a true and accurate picture of history that helps us understand the world we live in.





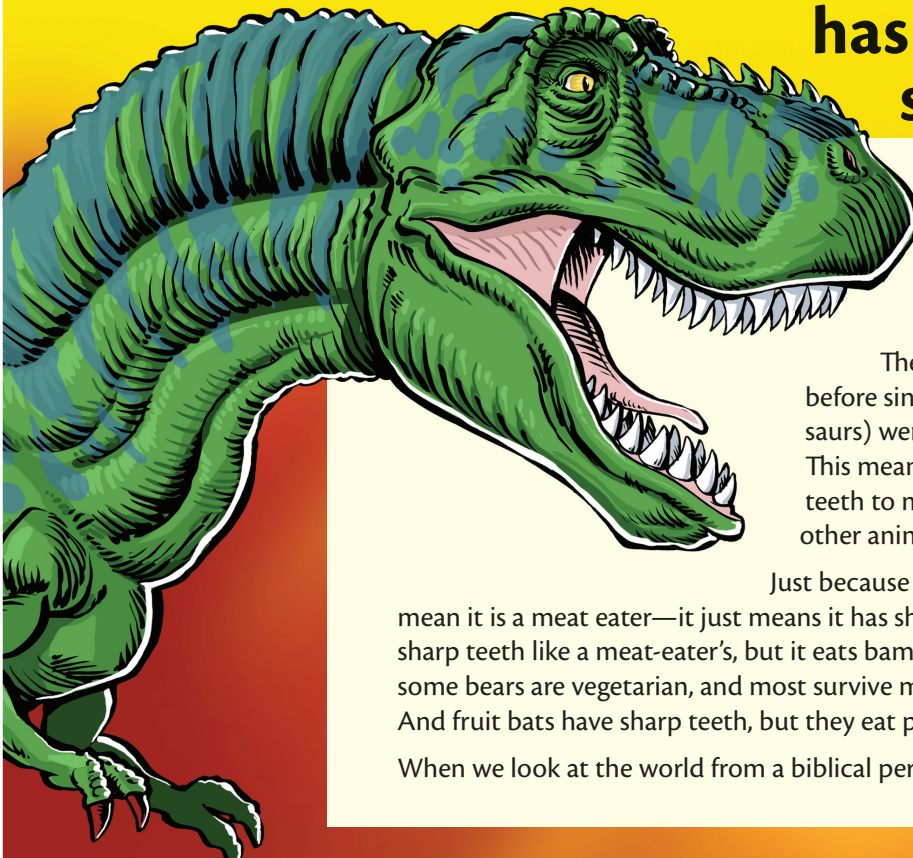
# WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

Circle the items that *T. rex* would have eaten in God's original "very good" creation.



# TYRANOSAURUS REX

has teeth up to  
six inches long!



Movies like *Jurassic Park* and *The Lost World* portray most dinosaurs as aggressive meat-eaters. But, is that true?

The Bible teaches that originally, before sin, all animals (including the dinosaurs) were vegetarian (Genesis 1:29–30). This means that even *T. rex* used his large teeth to munch on plants, not people or other animals.

Just because an animal has sharp teeth doesn't mean it is a meat eater—it just means it has sharp teeth. The giant panda has sharp teeth like a meat-eater's, but it eats bamboo. Bears have sharp teeth, but some bears are vegetarian, and most survive mainly on fruits and vegetables. And fruit bats have sharp teeth, but they eat primarily fruit.

When we look at the world from a biblical perspective, it all makes sense!