

The raft had picked up speed. For a moment he thought they might be able to jump, but the idea of piranhas, electric eels and crocodiles soon put that thought out of his mind. He wasn't brave enough for that.

Jo stood up suddenly. 'Matt!' She was pointing. Ahead the branch of a tree leaned out over the river. 'Do you think we can grab that?'

'If we miss we'll be knocked into the water.'

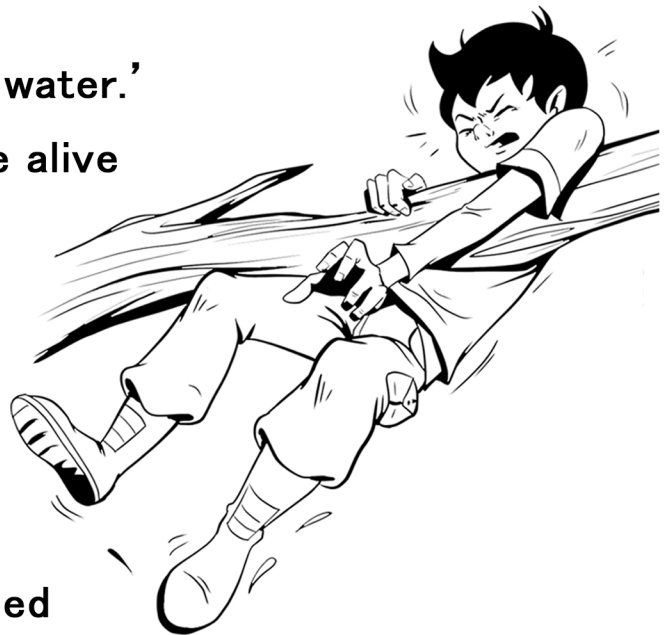
'We have to try, Matt.' Her eyes were alive again, hopeful. They had to make a decision quickly. If she was brave enough ...

'Let's do it!' Matt said.

They stood with their arms outstretched waiting to reach the tree, trying to judge its height, hoping the current wouldn't sweep them in another direction at the last minute. It was a thick bough, rough and covered with creeper and moss. What if it was rotten? What if it disintegrated at their touch? Matt didn't have time to think about that.

'Ready!' He took a deep breath.

'Now!'

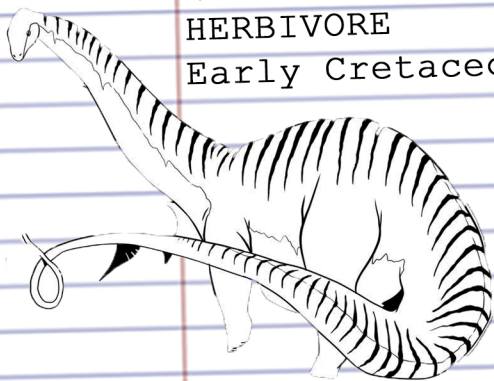


# FILL IN THE BLANKS

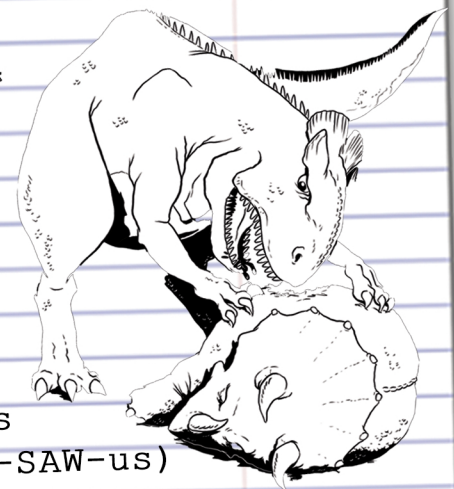
Using Matt's factfile, fill in the missing letters

## DINOSAUR FACTFILE

Amazonsaurus  
(AM-A-zon-SAW-us)  
HERBIVORE  
Early Cretaceous



Fulgurotherium  
(FULL-guh-roh-THERE-ium)  
HERBIVORE  
Early Cretaceous



Archelon  
(ARE-keh-lon)  
HERBIVORE  
Late Cretaceous



Cryolophosaurus  
(CRY-oh-lo-for-SAW-us)  
CARNIVORE  
Mid-Jurassic

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# DINOSAUR

# DILEMMA DIARY

**YOU HAVE BEEN HIRED! MR SHARP NEEDED AN EXTRA MEMBER FOR HIS FOSSIL HUNTING TEAM AND HAS ASKED YOU TO JOIN HIS HOT AND HUMID TREK THROUGH THE AMAZON, DOCUMENTING THE TRIP AS YOU GO. HOWEVER, YOU RUN INTO SOME TROUBLE IN THE FOREST CLEARING!**

**WRITE DOWN WHAT HAPPENED DURING YOUR RUMBLE IN THE JUNGLE IN A DIARY FORMAT!**

**You may want to consider the following when writing your diary entry:**

- 1. What happened? What could you see and hear?**
- 2. Who was there? Was the trouble caused by other humans or animals?**
- 3. Where was you when the trouble occurred? Observing from the distance or right in the middle of the chaos?**
- 4. How did it make you feel?**
- 5. How was the problem resolved? Who was the hero?**
- 6. What happened after the trouble had passed?**

**Here are some scenerios to get you started:**

- 1. A group of jaguars spring out of the bushes and surround your group.**
- 2. Someone in your group suddenly disappears into the thicket.**
- 3. Someone in your group gets their foot trapped in quicksand.**
- 4. You pick up a small smooth object thinking that it is a dinosaur egg and come face to face with an angry female crocodile trying to protect her unhatched babies.**
- 5. Stepping into the clearing, you disturb a group of loggers who are furious that their illegal activity has been uncovered.**



# DINOSAUR QUIZ

Put your dinosaur knowledge to the test.

1. Dinosaurs and humans walked the earth at the same time. *True / False*

2. Which of these present-day animals is descended from dinosaurs?

*Frog*

*Alligator*

*Hummingbird*

*Lion*

3. Did dinosaurs live on all of the continents? .....

4. Which age did dinosaurs live in?

*Jurassic*

*Cretaceous*

*Triassic*

*All of the above*

5. What does the word 'dinosaur' mean? .....

6. Which dinosaur was the longest land animal to have ever lived?

*Brachiosaurus*

*Seismosaurus*

*Argentinosaurus*

*Pentaceratops*

7. What is the name for people who study dinosaurs? .....

8. Who discovered the first dinosaur fossils? .....



# ***DINOSAUR DOODLE***

Have a go at drawing your favourite dinosaur

