

# TABLE OF TERMS

TERM	PRONUNCIATION	MEANING
archaeopteryx	ark-ee-op-ter-iks	The earliest known bird
Cretaceous Period	krih-tay-shus	A period in the earth's history that lasted from 136-64 million years ago
crocodilian	krohk-ah-dil-ee-yan	A group of reptiles which have long jaws, long tails and short legs
dinosaur	dine-ah-sore	A group of extinct animals that roamed the earth millions of years ago The word dinosaur means "terrible lizard".
extinct		No longer alive on earth
fossil	fawss-il	The preserved remains of a plant or animal
Jurassic Period	joo-rass-ik	A period in the earth's history that lasted from 190-130 million years ago
ornithischian		The bird-hipped group of dinosaurs
ornithopod	or-nith-oh-pod	A bird-hipped plant eater which walked around on two back legs
paleontologist	pail-ee-en-tahl-uh-jiist	A person who studies fossils of plants and animals
pterosaurs	ter-oh-sorz	Bat-like flying reptiles
quetzalcoatlus	kwee-zuh-kohte-uh-lus	The largest flying creature on earth
saurischian		The lizard-hipped group of dinosaurs
sauropod	sore-uh-pod	A group of plant-eating dinosaurs with long necks and tails and a small head, such as the Apatosaurus; These dinosaurs walked on four legs.
thecodontsaurus	thee-koh-dahnt-sore-us	This dinosaur fed on both plants and animals. It was 10 feet long.
theropod		A meat-eating dinosaur such as Tyrannosaurus They walked on two legs.
Triassic Period	tri-ass-ihk	A period in the earth's history that lasted from 225-190 million years ago
trilobite	try-luh-bite	A marine creature which had a hard, shield-like body covering

NOTE: Add your own terms as you study about dinosaurs.

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