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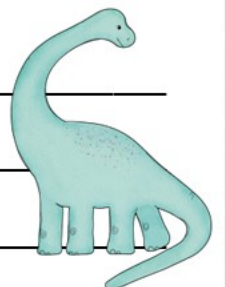
<b>Characters</b>	<b>Setting</b>

Why is the illustration on page 4 given?

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# Chapter 2

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<b>Word</b>	<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Definition</b>	<b>Context Clues Sentences</b>
crest			a) The <u>crest</u> of the puppy's head was soft and warm. b) The <u>crest</u> was below the animal's head.

Why does Jack and Annie's dog Henry seem so small?

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Why does the author say that "Jack and Annie crouched on the floor"? What does this mean?

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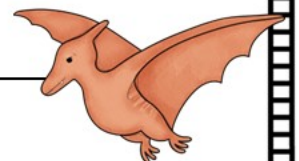
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What connection does this chapter have to the last chapter?

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# Chapter 3

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Word	Part of Speech	Definition	Context Clues Sentences
winding			a) The <u>winding</u> river was long and blue. b) The <u>winding</u> mountain was tall and impressive.

Why does Annie keep repeating Jack's words? How does this change the rhythm of the story?

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Compare and contrast Jack and Annie's reactions to the Pteranodon.

Compare	Contrast

Why is the illustration on page 17 important in this chapter? What important information does it show?

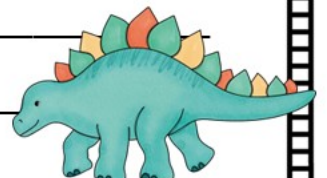
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# Chapter 4

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Word	Part of Speech	Definition	Context Clues Sentences
examine			a) Can you <u>examine</u> the clues and decide? b) The <u>examine</u> was fluffy and barked.

Why is Jack's notebook important in this chapter?

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Why does Annie tell Jack not to think? Why does she tell him to just do it?

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Why does Jack feel like it's important to take notes?

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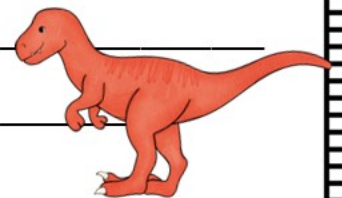
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What does it mean that the dinosaur's jaw kept opening and closing like a giant pair of scissors?

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<b>Word</b>	<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Definition</b>	<b>Context Clues Sentences</b>
slung			a) He heard the slung clap loudly. b) She slung the ice skates over her shoulder to carry them home.

Why is the book very important to this chapter?

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Do you think Jack learned the lesson to be more adventurous after this chapter? Why or why not?

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Fill in this cause and effect diagram.

**Cause:**  
Jack hurries through the grass to catch up with Annie.

**Effect:**

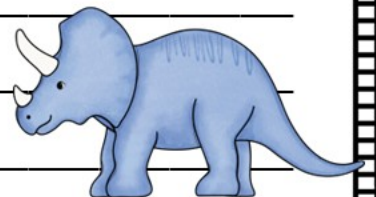
Why does Jack keep asking Annie to promise? How does it change the rhythm of this chapter?

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# Chapter 6

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<u>Word</u>	<u>Part of Speech</u>	<u>Definition</u>	<u>Context Clues Sentences</u>
shriek			a) He began to shriek when the monster ran toward him. b) The kitten was shriek, afraid of anything.

The illustration on page 35 shows the scene with the dinosaurs' nests. What can you tell from Jack's expression?



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Do you think Annie learned the lesson to be more careful around the dinosaurs after this chapter? Why or why not?

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Why does the author describe the noises the dinosaur keeps making?

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# Chapter 7

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<b>Word</b>	<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Definition</b>	<b>Context Clues Sentences</b>
bellowing			a) He was <b>bellowing</b> , whispering quietly. b) I was <b>bellowing</b> loudly, shouting for everyone to hear.

How do Jack and Annie get away from the T-Rex?

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Why does Jack go back for his book if the Tyrannosaurus is still outside?

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What kept making the tuba sound? Why are they making that sound?

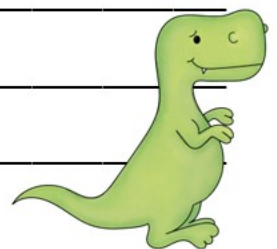
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<b>Word</b>	<b>Part of Speech</b>	<b>Definition</b>	<b>Context Clues Sentences</b>
stampede			a) The animals began to run quickly and <u>stampede</u> towards me. b) The animals walked slowly and were about to <u>stampede</u> .

What three things does Jack think about doing to avoid the Tyrannosaurus?

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Why does Annie climb down the rope ladder from the treehouse?

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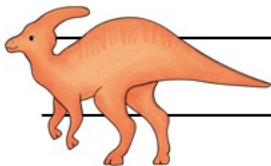
Why does the Pteranodon come flying for Jack? Is it going to hurt him? How do you know?

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# Chapter 9

Read the book, then answer the questions below. Determine a definition or meaning of the word. Then choose which sentence uses the word correctly.

Word	Part of Speech	Definition	Context Clues Sentences
alert			a) The little boy was <u>alert</u> and awake. b) He was <u>alert</u> , sleeping on his mom's shoulder.

Why is it important that Jack remembers Annie's advice to "just do it"?

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What lesson/moral do you think Jack learned in this chapter?

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What do you think slammed into the tree? Give evidence to support your answer.

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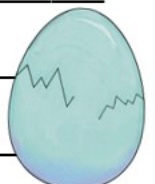
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Why does the author describe the wind as moaning and then whistling? How does this help you imagine the sounds and what is happening?

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# Chapter 10

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Word	Part of Speech	Definition	Context Clues Sentences
clasped			a) She clasped the ball, throwing it away. b) The baby clasped his mother's hand, holding tightly.

What lesson do you think Jack learned during this adventure?

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Compare and Contrast Jack and Annie's reactions to coming back home.

Compare	Contrast

How is the ending a satisfying conclusion? What tone does Jack and Annie's race give to the end of the book?

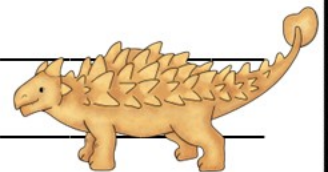
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# Quiz #1 (Chapters 1 - 4)



Read the book, then answer the questions below.

1. Where do Jack and Annie live?
  - A. Florida
  - B. Utah
  - C. New York
  - D. Pennsylvania
  
2. What magical item sends Jack and Annie on their adventure?
  - A. A Map
  - B. A Book
  - C. A Poster
  - D. A Key
  
3. Why is Jack frustrated with Annie when they first arrive in the land of the dinosaurs?
  - A. He thinks she made them come here.
  - B. He doesn't know where she is.
  - C. She wants to make friends with the Pteranodon.
  - D. She has lost the dinosaur book.

4. When did the Pteranodon live?

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5. What does Annie compare petting the Pteranodon's skin to?

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6. Why does Annie think the Pteranodon is trying to talk to her?

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## Quiz #2 (Chapters 5 - 8)

Read the book, then answer the questions below.

1. What letter was on the medallion?

- A. B
- B. G
- C. M
- D. P

2. What two things does Jack tell Annie to do when the anatosauruses' mother gets angry with her?

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3. What dinosaur scares the anatosauruses and Jack and Annie?

- A. Triceratops
- B. Pteranodon
- C. Stegosaurus
- D. Tyrannosaurus

4. Why does Jack's wish to go back home not work like in the second chapter? What made the difference?

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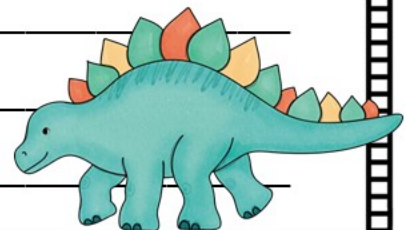
5. What is Annie's idea for saving Jack from the tyrannosaurus?

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# Quiz #3 (Chapters 9 - 10)

Read the book, then answer the questions below.

1. What does it mean when it says the Pteranodon "teetered this way. Then that"?

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2. How does the illustration on pages 62-63 help show what the words are telling you?

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3. Why was the Pennsylvania book so important? Why did they need it?

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4. How do Jack and Annie find out they are back home?

- A. Jack looks out the window.
- B. Annie looks in the book.
- C. Their mother starts calling their name.
- D. They see the Pteranodon.



5. How is Chapter 9 connected to Chapter 2? Why is this connection important?

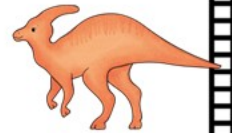
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## Final #1 (End of Book)



Read the words below. Match the definitions to the words, writing the letters next to the word that matches.

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| 1. _____  | <b>gripped</b>   | A. to hold on very tightly, to latch onto           |
| 2. _____  | <b>crest</b>     | B. to look at closely, to inspect                   |
| 3. _____  | <b>winding</b>   | C. to twist and turn in a long curve                |
| 4. _____  | <b>examine</b>   | D. a panicked group of animals running together     |
| 5. _____  | <b>slung</b>     | E. to hold tightly with your hands                  |
| 6. _____  | <b>shriek</b>    | F. to scream in a high-pitched voice, to screech    |
| 7. _____  | <b>bellowing</b> | G. to throw over your shoulder or toss on your back |
| 8. _____  | <b>stampede</b>  | H. the top of the head                              |
| 9. _____  | <b>alert</b>     | I. to yell loudly or scream in a loud voice         |
| 10. _____ | <b>clasped</b>   | J. awake and watchful                               |

Read the questions below. Choose the correct answer for each question.

- What character most shows the qualities of being detailed?
  - Henry
  - Annie
  - Jack
  - Mom
- Why was Jack afraid of the triceratops?
  - He ate meat.
  - He had 3 horns.
  - He ate plants.
  - He had huge teeth.
- Why was the anatosaurus angry with Annie?
  - She was screaming at the dinosaur.
  - She was trying to ride on its' back.
  - She thought Annie was bothering her babies.
  - She thought Annie was destroying her nest.
- Which character most shows the qualities of being brave and learning new things?
  - Henry
  - Annie
  - Jack
  - Mom

# Final #2 (End of Book)

Read the questions below. Each one includes multiple parts. Make sure you answer every part of the question, including evidence in your response.

1. Why do Jack and Annie decide to not tell anyone? Do you agree with their decision?

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2. Which character do you think is more important to helping people understand dinosaurs: Jack or Annie? Give evidence to support your response.

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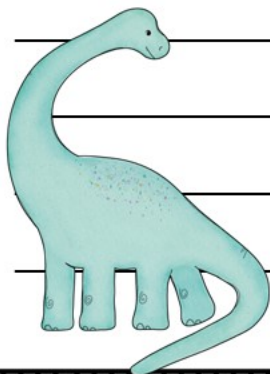
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