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Brachiosaurus

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One of the biggest dinosaurs was Brachiosaurus. It lived 150 million years ago during the Jurassic period.

This dinosaur had a huge body. It weighed at least as much as six full-grown African elephants. Some probably even weighed more.



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But despite its huge size, Brachiosaurus had a very small head. On the top of this head were big nostrils. In the head's mouth were small, flat teeth. What did Brachiosaurus eat with these teeth? Plants. Hundreds of pounds of plants every day.



A healthy adult Brachiosaurus had no enemies. One of the biggest meat-eating dinosaurs of that time was Allosaurus. It was much smaller than a Brachiosaurus. A mother Brachiosaurus needed to watch her babies closely to protect them from the dangerous Allosaurus.

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1. How long ago did the Brachiosaurus live on Earth?
 - a. less than 100 million years ago
 - b. less than 50 million years ago
 - c. more than 100 million years ago
 - d. more than 200 million years ago



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4. What did the Brachiosaurus eat?

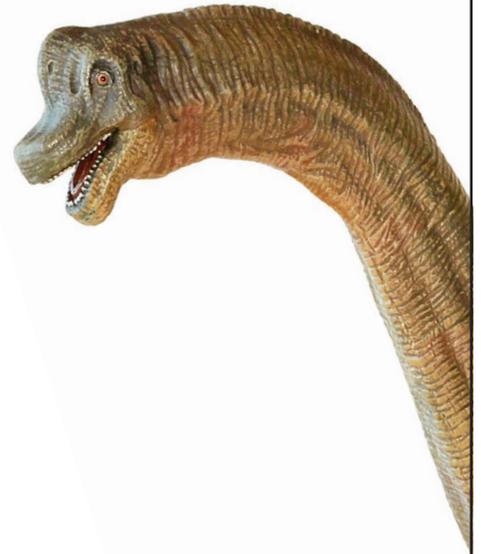
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| a. insects | b. plants |
| c. other dinosaurs | d. mud |

5. Which dinosaurs would attack baby Brachiosauruses?

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| 5. healthy | • | • animal with a long neck |
| 6. protect | • | • not sick |

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3. Why is Brachiosaurus called "the giraffe of dinosaurs"?

because it was tall and had a long neck

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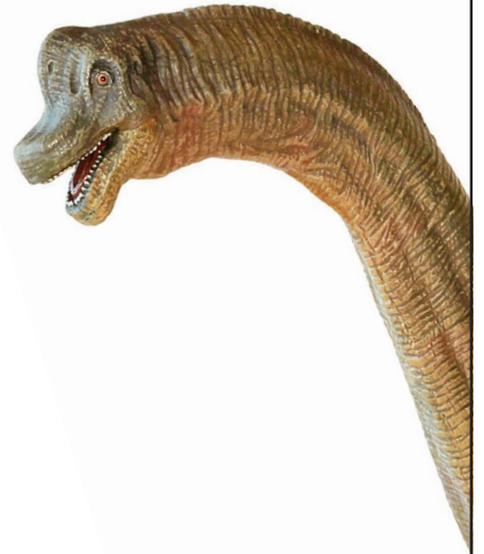
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