

Research Checklist

Use this checklist to guide your research. Ensure that you include all the major features of the dinosaur's body before you start to sketch and build your dinosaur. You should also take some time to learn more about the world your dinosaur inhabited.

Color & Physical Features

- Color of skin
- Color of eyes
- Additional colors (hair, ridges, undersides of torso, etc.)
- Realistic markings
- Length of arms
- Length of legs
- Muscle in arms and legs
- Additional features (crests, beaks, horns, helmets, spikes)
- Feathers or hair

Movement

- Did the animal run?
- Did it fly?
- Did it swim?
- Did it need to move quickly? Stealthily?

Other Behaviors

- Did the animal hunt?
- Did it get its heat from the sun?
- Did it stand upright?

Surroundings

- Where were the animal's fossils found?
- What was the climate like?
- What did the dinosaur live in? (nests, trees, caves, etc.)
- Did the animal live alone or in small groups?
- Did the animal live near water? In water?