## Why Tyrannosaurus Rex was one of the famous dinosaurs of all time?



COMMON AND SCIENTIFIC NAME: Tyrannosaurus Rex TYPE: Prehistoric Animals DIET: Carnivore

**T-Rex** was one of the brutal predators to ever walk the Earth. He is as big as the size of a bus. He is 40 feet long and 12 feet tall and he weighs between 5.5 and eight tons! The man who discovered Tyrannosaurus Rex was named **Barnum Brown**. Based on the study, Tyrannosaurus Rex or T-Rex skull is worth at least \$1.8 million dollars.

It has a massive body, sharp teeth, and jaws which is so powerful that he could even crush a car. This famous carnivore influenced by the forested river valleys in Western North America on what was then an island continent known as *Laramidia*. And guess what?! A study says T-Rex can eat around 40,000 calories per day! How big the amount of food is!



T-Rex was super smart too! He's boasting a brain twice as big as those of the other giant carnivores. He even has a strong sense of smell, elongated and semi-circular canals which one canal senses up-and-down movement and another canal senses side-to-side movement and that also coordinated rapid eye movements and quick reflexes, and lastly, he has an elongated cochlea that could hear low-frequency sounds.



## **VOCABULARY:**

Brutal. savagely violent

**Predator**. an animal that lives by killing and eating other animals

Carnivore. a person or animal that eats meat

**Elongated.** to draw out to greater length

**Cochlea.** is the part of the inner ear that converts mechanical energy (vibrations) into nerve impulses sent to the brain.



## **QUESTIONS:**

- 1. Who first discovered T-rex?
- 2. How big is Tyrannosaurus Rex?
- 3. How much does T-rex's skull worth?
- 4. What makes T-rex smart?
- 5. How many food calories can T-rex eat in a day?

## FOLLOW UP QUESTIONS: OPINION

- 1. Why are children so interested in dinosaurs from a very young age?
- 2. Do you have a favourite dinosaur?
- 3. What would you like to know about dinosaurs that no one knows?
- 4. Why were dinosaurs so big?
- 5. Do you like looking at dinosaur skeletons and bones at exhibitions?

