



TASQUES ACADÈMIQUES DURANT EL PERIODE DE CONFINAMENT

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Dinosaurs

BEFORE READING

1. Here are some words from the text that you are going to read. Choose the right definition.

1. He died because he ate the **poisonous** food

something that can kill you / something that makes you feel good

2. The doctors can't cure her **disease**.

illness / food

3. During the Cretaceous Period, many animals **became extinct**.

disappear / grew

4. We visited the **site** of the collision.

place / picture

5. The crisis wasn't in one place, it was **worldwide**.

all over the world / only in one place

6. The old man was so **weak** he couldn't stand.

not strong / happy



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2. How much do you know about dinosaurs? Answer the questionnaire and find out. Search in internet if it is necessary.

1. Dinosaurs became extinct.

- a. 66 million years ago b. 66 hundred years ago. c. 3 million years ago

2. The cause of their extinction is...

- a. well-known b. not certain c. totally unknown

3. Dinosaurs became extinct at the end of the ...

- a. Jurassic Period b. not certain c. totally unknown

4. Dinosaurs are the ancestors of...

- a. snakes b. fish c. birds

5. The name of a film about dinosaurs is...

- a. The Lost Ark b. Jurassic Park c. Neolithic Period

6. The name of one of the biggest dinosaurs was..

- a. Quetzalcoatlus b. Velociraptor c. Tyrannosaurus Rex.

7. An animal which lived at the same time as the dinosaurs is...

- a. the crocodile b. the tiger c. the dog



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Read the following text about dinosaurs.

WHY DID THE DINOSAURS DISAPPEAR?

A

The reason for the extinction of the dinosaurs is still a mystery. We know for sure that dinosaurs became extinct 66 million years ago at the end of the Cretaceous Period. Many other land and sea animals like snakes, turtles and crocodiles which survive the crisis was worldwide and that it happened very quickly. But we still don't know who or what was the cause.

B

There are many different theories about the extinction of the dinosaurs. One hypothesis is that poisonous plants may have killed them. Some scientist believe that a fatal disease killed the dinosaurs, or that other animals stole the dinosaurs' eggs. But none of these theories explains the mass extinction of ocean life that happened at the same time.

C

Perhaps the most interesting theory is that the earth was hit by an enormous asteroid. This caused terrible worldwide climatic changes which smaller animals survived, but which killed the dinosaurs. However, no one has found the site of this asteroid so we can't be sure there really was a collision.

D

So why did the dinosaurs disappear? Nowadays, many people think that the extinction of the dinosaurs was the result of a combination of factors. Disease, climatic changes and competition with others animals probably all helped to weaken the dinosaurs. Perhaps those animals which survived were just better adapted to their environment. Or perhaps there is a theory no one has discovered yet.



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3. Decide if this each sentence is true (T) or false (F) according to the text.

1. The dinosaurs became extinct 30 million years ago. T/F
2. Only dinosaurs became extinct at the end of the Cretaceous Period. T/F
3. The extinction of the dinosaurs was worldwide. T/F
4. Animals such as turtles and lizards survived the crisis. T/F
5. Dinosaurs ate the animals' eggs. T/F

4. Complete the table below

BASE VERB	PAST SIMPLE	PAST PARTICIPLE
KNOW		
	BECAME	
	WAS	
	STOLE	
		FOUND

5. These words all appear in the text. Use your dictionary to complete the table..

VERB	NOUN	ADJECTIVE
believe		believable
	explanation	X
	survival	X
weaken	weakness	
poison	poison	



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6. Circle the correct word in each sentence.

1. There are many possible **explain / explanations** for the extinction of the dinosaurs.
2. Disease made the animals very **weakness / weak**
3. Some plants are very **poison / poisonous**
4. I don't **believe / belief**
5. The dinosaurs couldn't **survive / survival** the climatic changes.

7. Complete the sentences with the words below.

extinct disease worldwide site climatic

1. Many animals develop a resistance to _____
2. The disappearance of the dinosaur was _____
3. This animal doesn't exist any more; it is _____
4. There was a lot of _____ change during this period.
5. Nobody knows where the _____ of the collision is.



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8. Circle the odd word out in each group

1. extinct . killed . discovered
2. poisonous . worldwide . fatal
3. turtles . crocodiles . asteroids
4. sea . ocean . land
5. theory . collision . hypothesis

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