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Magic School Bus Presents: Dinosaurs

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Book Review

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Jump on the Magic School Bus and come explore dinosaurs! Ms. Frizzle will take you on a prehistoric tour and introduce you to dinosaurs big and small, predators and prey, some with feathers and others that swim underwater. Thanks to fossils left over after the mass extinction caused by a huge asteroid, scientists have discovered many interesting characteristics about these unusual creatures. There are several dinosaurs covered in this book, some of which are sure to be familiar and others that will surprise and intrigue you.

Like other books in The Magic School Bus Presents series, this educational book uses all the well-known Magic School Bus characters to present a wide range of interesting information in a very appealing format. The book has a consistent color scheme and layout, which includes on every page a title, the main commentary, a “Frizzle Fact,” a short book-report summary, and several fascinating photographs with additional fun facts, all of which is written in very clear and understandable language. The final pages also include some more interesting facts and a helpful “Words to Know” page. This series would be an excellent addition to a classroom library and also a great educational tool to use at home.