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One Saturday while visiting the zoo, Hank tells his brother Patrick all about dinosaurs, and Patrick scares himself by imagining what it would be like if the great creatures were alive today.

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Laura says

Brothers Patrick and Hank go to the zoo together. Hank know more about dinosaurs than you can imagine. Which starts to freak Hank out because he starts seeing the dinosaurs that his brother is describing.

This is a very cute story with illustrations that bring the dinosaurs alive on the pages. The text and artwork are a perfect combo for a winning picture book.

Kimberly says

This book is very dated now, but the story itself is still amusing. It would be interesting to see this with updated illustrations.

Talea says

My daughter usually loves anything and everything dinosaur related, but she almost lost interest in it. Probably because she already knew all the facts and she already has three big brothers that 'know too much'.

N says

Cute book about run-away imagination.

Cara Kemnitz says

This is an example of the "blended" genre we discussed in class- where factual information is mixed with a story. Hank teaches his younger brother, Patrick about Dinosaurs using the context of a zoo (e.g., a brontosaurus weighed as much as ten elephants). The illustrations bring Patrick's imagination to life, as he envisions dinosaurs among them on the zoo trip and their walk throughout the city. It seems like a very captivating resource for teaching young children the sometimes dry content of informational texts.

Sa Ho says

Patrick's Dinosaurs is a exciting and factual book that I would definitely recommend to young readers. The book contains information about six of the world's many ancient creatures, and the best part was that it compared the dinosaurs to the living things in the zoo that we see today! The thrilling part kicks in when

Patrick uses his vivid imagination to summon in the prehistoric dinosaurs. He then gets scared after he imagined the T-Rex that his brother told him about, which I thought was really cute. In the end, his brother reminds him that the dinosaurs died along time ago, and then Patrick became relieved, thus making his T-Rex disappear.

Overall this book was very fun to read, and I think the young readers would agree. Not only is it informational but it is all exciting and suspenseful in a sense. In my opinion, young children can learn to use their imagination more often from this book.

Miriam says

Gentle, rather old-fashioned day-in-the-life story of a small boy visiting a zoo with his older brother, who inadvertently frightens him with descriptions of how much bigger and fiercer the dinosaurs were than the modern animals.

Katelyn Reagan says

Patrick's Dinosaurs is an imaginative story where Patrick spends the whole day asking his brother questions about dinosaurs while they're at the zoo. He sees dinosaurs everywhere they go and his ordinary day turns into an adventure.

Dagmar says

Patrick and his big brother Hank go to the zoo. When Patrick sees an elephant, he says, "I'll bet that elephant is the biggest animal in the whole world." His brother tells him that "a brontosaurus was heavier than TEN elephants!" As Hank tells Patrick about prehistoric animals, they all come alive in Patrick's in Patrick's imagination. Stegasaurus, Triceratops, Tyrannosaurus Rex. Luckily, just before Patrick's imaginary Tyrannosaurus Rex does anything too dangerous, Hank assures him that dinosaurs have long been extinct.

This is a sweet book about a little boy with a vivid imagination. Great for young dinosaur lovers!

Courtney says

The eye-catching and informative Patrick's Dinosaurs is not only filled with interesting facts, but is fun to read, as well. In the story, Patrick is frightened of the dinosaurs that his older brother, Hank, talks about. So much so, that he thinks he sees them all around the zoo! I think children will easily relate to being scared of something and will sympathize with Patrick.

I love how the book throws in dinosaur facts subtly and compares them to the size of animals today. The only thing I would worry is that kids might be frightened of them after reading this book (although they, obviously, have no reason to be). The photo of the Diplodocus swimming under their boat while they row was even frightening for me!

Overall, this was a great informative book. I would suggest using this in a K-3 classroom when learning about dinosaurs.

Alexis Allinson says

With wonderfully detailed illustrations this book is filled with the imaginary dinosaurs Patrick dreams up to go with his older brother Hank's well of knowledge.

Lde212_06 says

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Grade: 4

Content:

- > Characteristics of different types of dinosaurs
- > The extinction of dinosaurs

In 4th grade the topic of extinction is discussed in further detail with students. This book talks about different dinosaurs and their characteristics. At the end of the book, the main character receives confirmation from his brother that dinosaurs have been extinct for millions of years. The teacher can use this book to open up a discussion on the possibilities of what caused the dinosaurs to go extinct. Then they can begin to move away from the extinction of dinosaurs and discuss the extinction of other animals and the causes for their extinction.

Melissa Namba says

enjoyed it until the end when I think the author made a bad decision. she should have mentioned the dinosaur relatives alive today.

Kathryn says

Probably a three star for me today, but I am giving it four stars because I'm sure my five-year-old self would have loved it. Patrick begins to imagine dinosaurs everywhere after he visits a zoo and his older brother compares animals today to dinosaurs. I enjoyed how Patrick's imaginings are both a lot of fun and deliciously frightening-on-purpose at times ;-) A fun way to compare the size of dinosaurs to everyday things like cars and houses.

Sawyer K says

Sawyer (3.5) was enthralled with this book. The descriptions helped him visualize how big the dinosaurs were. Only 4 stars instead of 5 because it's sort of scary. Some kids might like that, though.
