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The bestselling, award-winning team of Yolen and Teague are back with another playful tale about how dinosaurs behave at mealtime.

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NARRATOR: Jane Yolen

Just like kids, dinosaurs have a difficult time learning to behave at the table. However, with a little help from Mom and Dad, these young dinosaurs eat all before them with smiles and goodwill.

As in their previous books, children's rambunctious natures are captured with this hilarious Read Along narrated by Jane Yolen.

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## **From Reader Review How Do Dinosaurs Eat Their Food? - Audio for online ebook**

### **Rory Scott Douglas says**

As part of the "How Do Dinosaurs..." series, Yolen and Teague collaborate to bring us another role model book wrapped up in a simple digestible format. Mark Teague's illustrations are engaging and have a nonsensical edge that allows a time-old message to be reiterated in a enjoyable way.

The book, written in a series of rhyming questions, follows a series of common child-like reactions to food and highlights how silly they seem. At the same time it asks children to really think about the consequences and expectations involved with meal times.

As a reception teacher the challenge of dinnertime can seem a constant losing battle which must be magnified during parenthood. This book seems an ally with which to subvert the repetitive friction that can so easily occur around feeding time and hopes to inspire a mimicry that keeps young bodies fed and old heads happy.

I recommend for reading with children between 3 and 6 and, if the characters take, why not explore the rest of the series?

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### **Melissa says**

How do Dinosaurs eat their food? Do they spit half eaten broccoli on the floor? Do they fidget in the chair, or throw spaghetti in the air? No! A dinosaur says Please and Thank You and sits very still. He makes no loud noises, that isn't polite and he always tries new things, even just one bite.

This would be a good book for a unit on the food pyramid or My Plate.

It would also be good for a dinosaur unit as each dinosaur that appears has their scientific name in the picture with them.

It would also be a good book for a unit on manners.

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### **Jamie Jessup says**

Oh man, do I wish this book had been out when my brother was a young kid. He used to take his entire unfinished plate and throw it like a frisbee onto the floor (we had to eventually buy plates with suction cups on the bottom). Learning table manners is such an important part of growing up and I know for a lot of kids that it can be tough to remember. I would read this book aloud to the class and then ask them to try some of the table manners talked about in the book during lunch. After lunch I would ask what kinds of table manners students tried, and if they saw any manners at lunch that were not good behaviors. I would use this book in K-3rd grade classrooms because even students that are a little bit older can have trouble with table manners.

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### **Samantha Sheeran says**

How Do Dinosaurs Eat Their Food by Jane Yolen and Mark Teague goes through all the scenarios about how dinosaurs could eat their food rudely. After this is done, it demonstrates how dinosaurs really eat their food; politely.

I really enjoyed this book and thought it could teach a very good lesson to children. The authors were smart by choosing dinosaurs because dinosaurs are something that children love and are interested in. The book is rhymed, which is very good for holding children's attention. The illustrations match the words and are also humorous. For example: the first illustration that has words with it shows a very oversized dinosaur sitting at a kitchen table, and one of the other illustrations shows a dinosaur in the restaurant. Children would probably find these illustrations hilarious because they would never see dinosaurs acting like humans. I think the colors are a little dull, but feel like that if they were bright it could take away from the humor of the illustrations and the point of the story. I like that the words are simple and big, making it a lot easier for young children to follow along and to read. My favorite aspect of the story is the lesson it teaches. It demonstrates to children that manners while eating are important. It gives children a perfect example on how to act while eating, and the illustrations also help. For example: "He never drops anything onto the floor. And after he's finished, he asks for some more." This line in the book has an illustration beside it of a dinosaur with a clean plate and he appears to be asking his "parents" for seconds. Overall, I enjoyed How Do Dinosaurs Eat Their Food? because the words and illustrations were simple and matched. Also because it teaches young children good manners and gives them good examples about how to have good manners.

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### **Chelsea says**

A hilarious book questioning how dinosaurs eat their (human) food! I enjoyed how at the start of the book, it seemed like the dinosaurs were not good at eating their food with manners; there were a variety of silly illustrations depicting the dinosaurs eating. At the end it turned out that the dinosaurs actually had very nice manners and knew how to eat without making a mess. I am excited to read this book during story time, I expect a lot of giggles from the children!

TO READ: During Toddler Time and Preschool Play.

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### **Joan says**

The prospect of having a protoceratops come over for dinner or of joining a quetzalcoatlus for a fancy restaurant meal is sure to amuse young readers. Playful dinosaurs populate this clever tale that's guaranteed to keep young readers laughing at the dinosaurs' mischievous table manners.

Colorfully illustrated with the dinosaurs all but leaping from the page, this is a book guaranteed to please young dinosaur-lovers.

Recommended.

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### **Sara Stelmach says**

“How Do Dinosaurs Eat Their Food” by Jane Yolen is a rhythmic picture book about breaking the stereotypes of how dinosaurs eat their food. It starts by depicting all the imaginative rude and impolite ways one would think a dinosaur would eat. However, in the end, the book surprisingly describes a polite and mannerly way the dinosaurs actually eat. This is a wonderfully illustrated story with elaborate drawings of different dinosaurs all with their scientific name somewhere on the page. The drawings hilariously depict the different ideas of the way one would think dinosaurs would eat. This is a wonderful story to read aloud to children because of the rhythmic qualities of the writing and the beautiful drawing that would keep children engaged. I would recommend this book to be read aloud to children in pre-k to children in 2nd grade.

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### **Rhaynes5 says**

How do Dinosaurs Eat Their Food is just a god funny book that the children love to read! They think it's funny and they love to see the different dinosaurs fumble over themselves in each illustration. I would use this book in the classroom to connect to the real world for children. Children love dinosaurs so if I were to do a unit on dinosaurs I would definitely include this book not to teach any facts about dinosaurs but may be to put inside one of my learning centers to support the theme as well as show students how to spell different dinosaurs names.

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### **Josh Caporale says**

This is definitely a clever way to teach its target audience about proper table manners. I like the use of the dinosaurs, which not only attract the children, but take the place of the children in these particular situations. I also like the examples that are given when it comes to beginning with how NOT to eat your food and then give the proper examples of how manners should be practiced. I think this is a good teaching tool for the 3-7 age range and I think kids will get a kick out of this!

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### **Kat says**

Basic Plot: While we may assume dinosaurs are messy, picky, impolite eaters, in reality they are very polite and open to trying new things. Really.

This is a very quick rhyming book. The art is really good, especially in the pictures where the dinos are misbehaving. The looks on the parents' faces are pretty well priceless. I also like how the names of the specific dino types are embedded within the pictures. It's subtle and works well for parents like me, who don't necessarily know all the names but want to seem smart or encourage our little paleontologists. This isn't really a book about dinosaurs, though, it's really about good table manners. The use of the dinos as a metaphor for the monsters that little kids can sometimes be works, though, with humorous effect. If it's successful in getting your little dino to try something new or sit still during dinner, I'd count it a success. I'm

not holding my breath regarding my own little monstersaurus, though. ;)

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### **Camilla says**

Kids love dinosaurs :)

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### **Ms. Martin says**

This is such a great book for both in and out of the classroom that goes over what not to do and what to do when eating - how there are manners and what is expected. The kids love seeing all the "bad" ways to do something and coming up with ways that they should do it instead. It's a great reminder of good manners and how to act.

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### **Paige Claycamp says**

I chose this book due to needing a book that talks about manners in a fun way, but in a way that my students would understand the meaning and the point of the book. This book was a very silly book that many students loved reading, talking about how certain dinosaurs eat their food. Its a great read aloud silly book, to help teach your students about having table manners.

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### **Tami says**

How Do Dinosaurs Eat Their Food? blends a child's curiosity and interest in dinosaurs and the parental desire to teach table manners. The story starts out showing colourful illustrations of various types of dinosaurs as they are in the act of eating in ill-mannered ways. The caption below asks if the dinosaur ate this way. For instance, "does he bubble his milk?" At the end of the story, the child gets an answer that dinosaurs always ate with the best of manners.

Though definitely not realistic in its depiction of how dinosaurs really ate, this book is fun. It also allows parents to reinforce table manners in a new less openly nagging way. This book also includes a cute little mini rendition of the same story for kids to carry in their pocket or to read along with.

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