

Dinosaur Days

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Remember, a lifetime love of reading starts with a single step!

For my nieces, Kirsten and Erica
—J.M.

For my dearest cubs, Leonardo and Lorenzo
—F.T.

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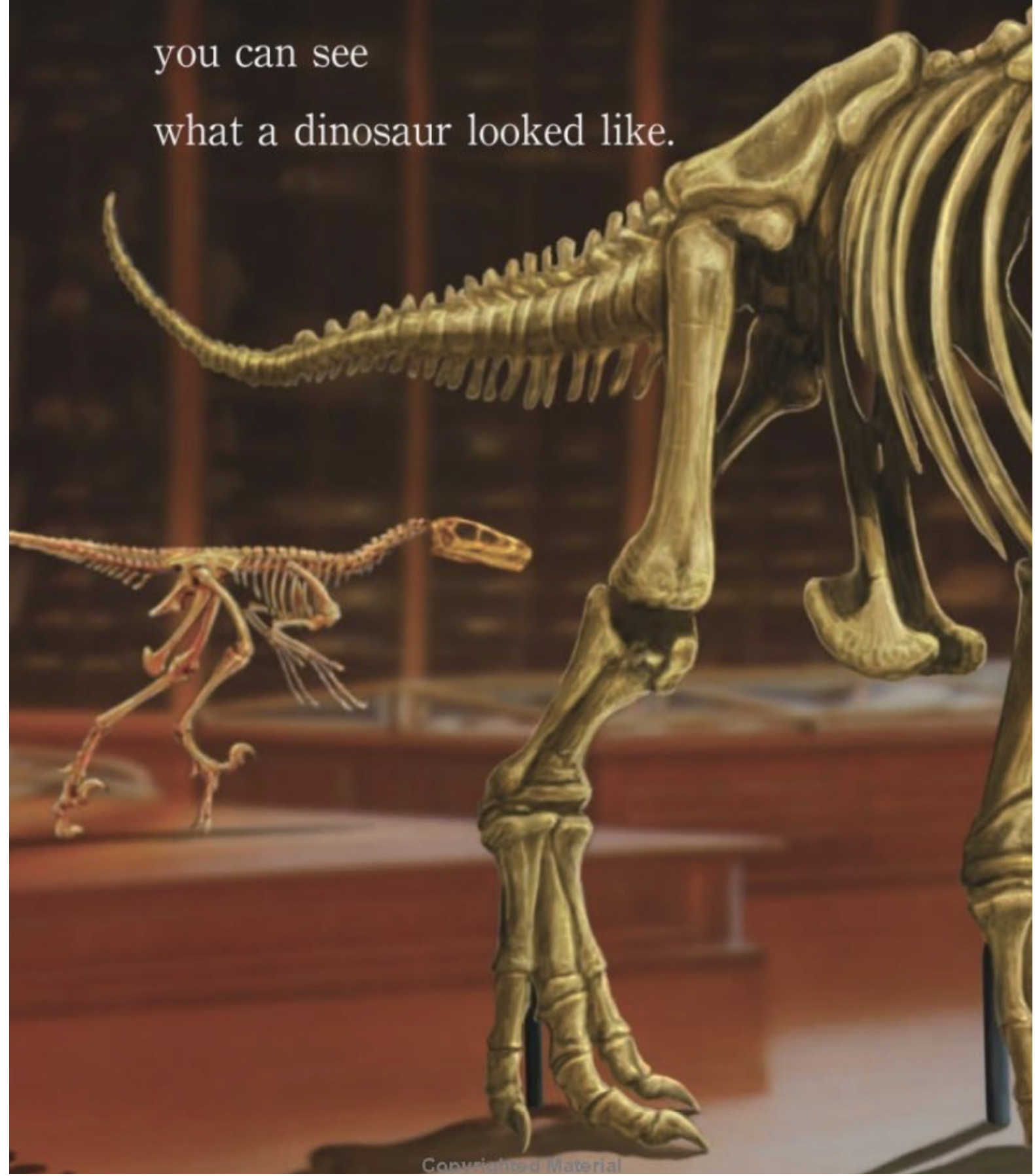


Sometimes people find bones
of ancient animals.
Some of these bones
are from dinosaurs.



The bones are like
parts of a puzzle.

When they are put together,
you can see
what a dinosaur looked like.

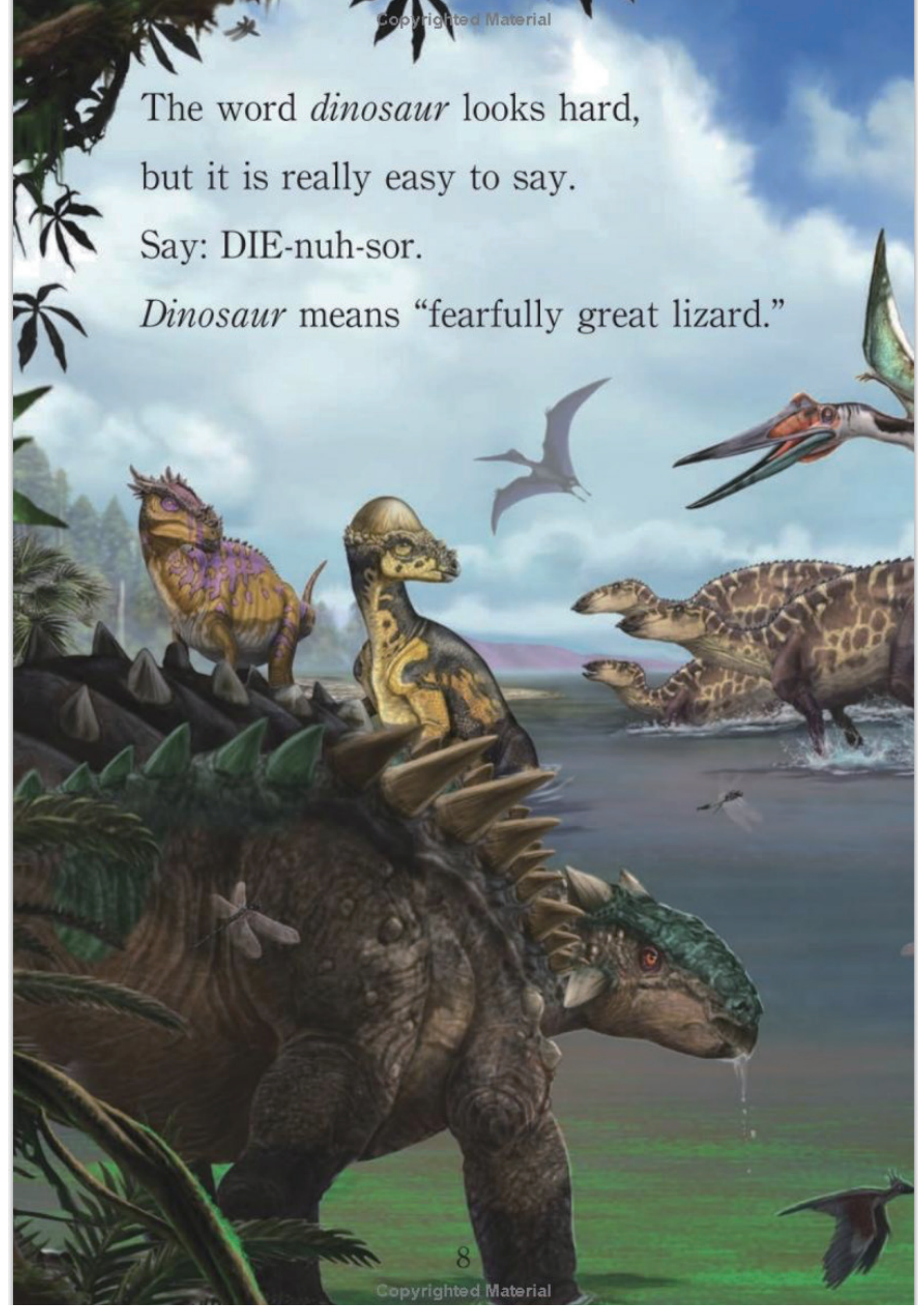




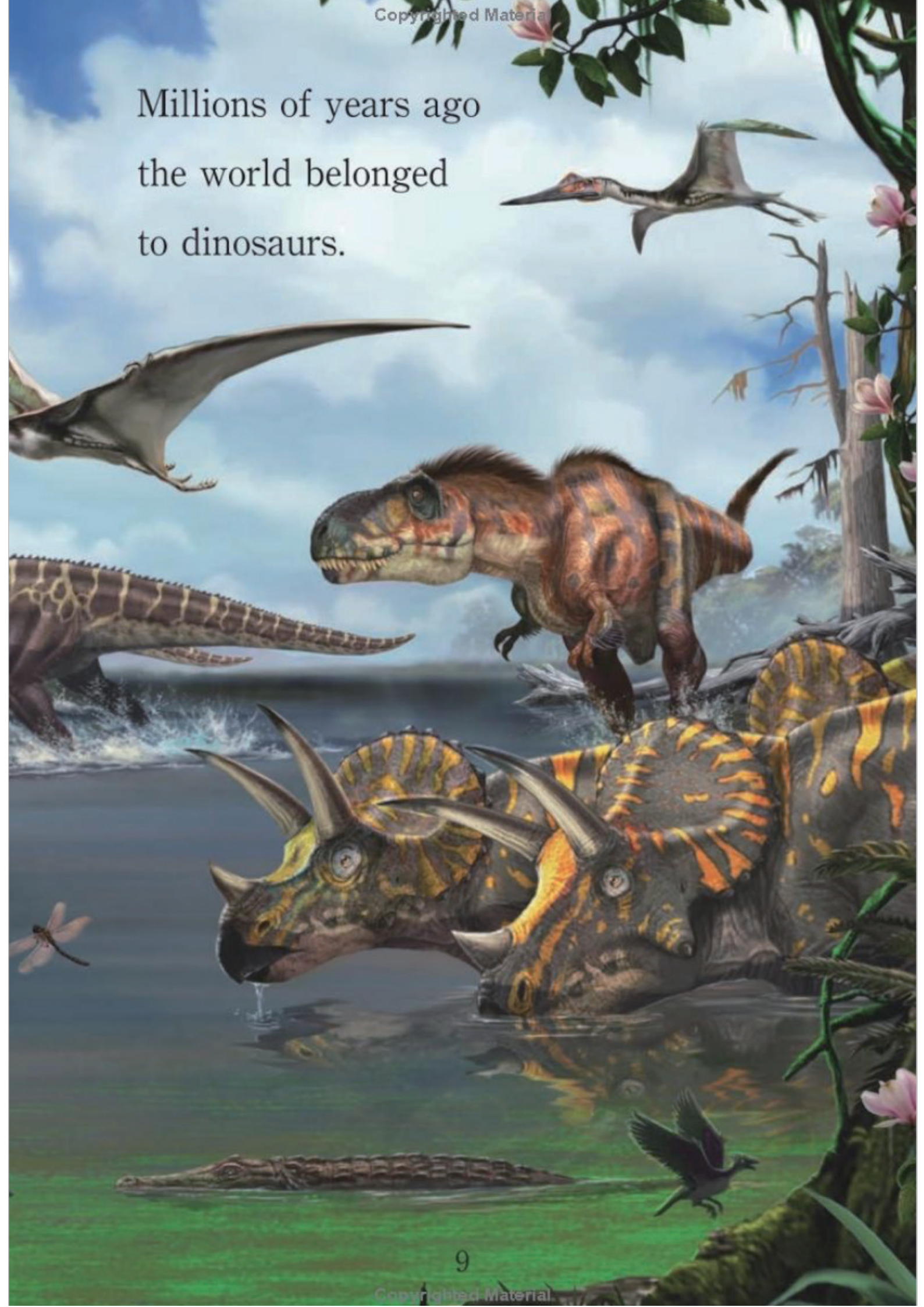
The word *dinosaur* looks hard,
but it is really easy to say.

Say: DIE-nuh-sor.

Dinosaur means “fearfully great lizard.”



Millions of years ago
the world belonged
to dinosaurs.



In the days of the dinosaurs,
there were no people.

No dogs or cats.

No horses or cows.

