

## Terrifying Teeth!

### What did dinosaurs eat?

#### Student Introduction

- ✓ Let's look at dinosaur teeth to find out what dinosaurs and other species ate.
- ✓ Scientists use a key to find out which species the teeth came from.
- ✓ Scientists can work out what they ate.

#### Background

- ▶ At Dinosaur Expeditions you can see displays of dinosaur teeth, fossils, models and pictures.
- ▶ You can search for fossil teeth and use the worksheet to help you find out which creature they belonged to.
- ▶ If you can correctly say which creature they came from you get to keep 3 fossil teeth!



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These boxes contain 50 million year old fossil teeth from Morocco in North Africa.

STEP  
2

### Whose Teeth are These?

- ✓ Use the key on page 2 to work out which creature the teeth came from.
- ✓ Tell the staff which fossil teeth you found.
- ✓ Choose the ones you would like to keep.

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_



**YES**



**NO**

Is the point long and thin?

**YES**

Has it got a root?  
**YES**



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## Identifying Teeth

Has it got a sharp point?

**YES**



Has it got lines on the top?

**NO**



**NO**

STEP  
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## What did dinosaurs eat?

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The shape of tooth depends on the food eaten.

Lions have sharp teeth to tear their meat.



Cows have lots of flat teeth to chew grass.



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Slicing teeth to tear large fish.



Grinding teeth with ridges to crush smooth shells.



Flat teeth to crush shells.



Piercing teeth to cut into small fish.

