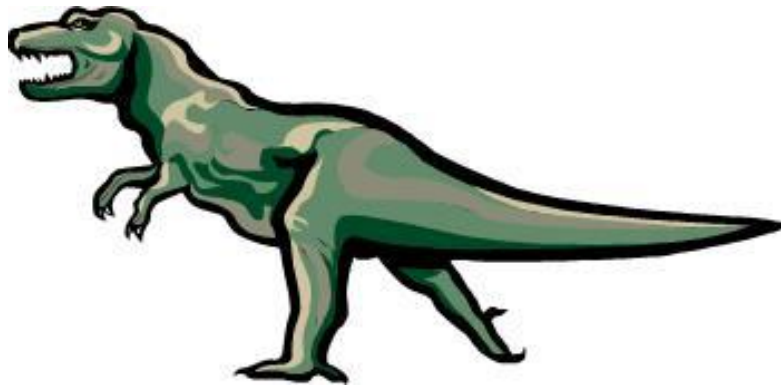


# Rhyme Time

<b>Title</b>	Five Enormous Dinosaurs					
<b>Possibilities for maths learning</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Counting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Composition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cardinality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Subitise	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comparison	<input type="checkbox"/> Measure
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Five enormous dinosaurs  
Letting out a roar  
One went away, and  
Then there were four.

Four enormous dinosaurs  
Crashing down a tree  
One went away, and  
Then there were three.

Three enormous dinosaurs  
Eating tiger stew  
One went away, and  
Then there were two.

Two enormous dinosaurs  
Trying to run  
One ran away, and  
Then there was one.

One enormous dinosaur,  
Wanted some fun  
He went away, and  
Then there was none.

### Resources

You could make dinosaur puppets and ask your children to use these in the rhyme, or just as in the other rhymes, you may choose to create a glove with dinosaurs on the fingers which you can fold down so the children can see they disappear. This can be created using a normal glove or a wash mitt and ask children to make or cut out pictures of their favourite dinosaurs to put on the fingers.

You could also encourage the children to make dinosaurs out of junk modelling materials, clay or playdough, or you may choose to use cuddly or plastic dinosaurs for visual aids.

You can support children to make dinosaur masks to wear during the rhyme and act out being the dinosaurs. This will support the expressive arts and design area of learning and will enable the children to be involved in the activity themselves.

### Extension opportunities

If you do not have any resources you can simply help children to count with their fingers and this will help them to count down and understand that one has been taken away each time. Asking the children at the end of each verse how many dinosaurs are left will help to develop their problem solving skills as well as their number recognition and subtraction skills.

You can link this activity to children's interest in dinosaurs, and extend this into the Understanding the World area of learning to look at when dinosaurs roamed the earth, what types there were, what they ate etc.

### Home learning ideas

You could make home learning number sacks with toy dinosaurs in to enable parents to use this rhyme at home. Remember to put the words in the sack too, so parents and other family members can join in.