

Dinosaurs to ten

You will need: Ten toy dinosaurs or counters

What to do: ● Read the poem, 'Dinosaurs to Ten', through together.

- Read it again. This time place a toy dinosaur/counter on the table at the end of each verse. 'Along came another one and then there were two', etc.
- How many scary dinosaurs are there on the table? Count them.



This activity helps your child to count up to 10 and to find one more than a number from one to 10. It also encourages them to listen and respond to poems. Stop after some verses and ask questions: 'How many dinosaurs are dancing around the tree?' 'How many are building a cosy den?' Ask your child to count the number of dinosaurs on the table. As you are reading the poem encourage your child to listen to the rhyme at the end of each pair of lines (couplet). As you both become more familiar with the poem ask your child to complete the rhymes.

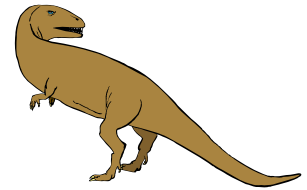
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Personal, Social and Emotional Development; Communication, Language and Literacy; and Mathematical Development.



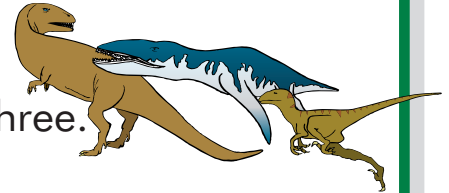
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No scary dinosaurs lazing in the sun,
Along came a T-rex and then there was one.



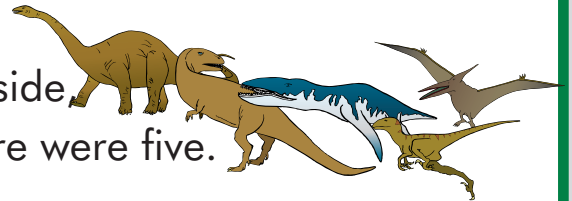
One scary dinosaur with nothing much to do,
Along came another one and then there were two.

Two scary dinosaurs dancing round a tree,
Along came another one and then there were three.



Three scary dinosaurs rolling on the floor,
Along came another one and then there were four.

Four scary dinosaurs standing side by side,
Along came another one and then there were five.



Five scary dinosaurs eating weetabix™,
Along came another one and then there were six.

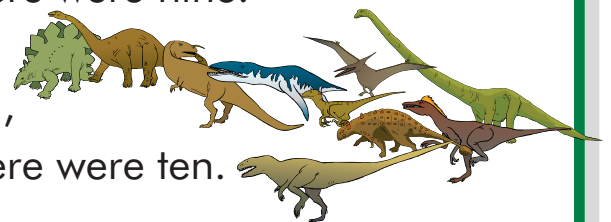
Six scary dinosaurs on a trip to Devon,
Along came another one and then there were seven.



Seven scary dinosaurs trotting at a gate,
Along came another one and then there were eight.

Eight scary dinosaurs dancing in a line,
Along came another one and then there were nine.

Nine scary dinosaurs build a cosy den,
Along came another one and then there were ten.



Ten scary dinosaurs having lots of fun,
All of them went to bed and then there were none.

