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# How Do Dinosaurs Play With Their Friends?





## Synopsis

The bestselling, award-winning team of Yolen and Teague present their fourth original dinosaur board book, a fun guide to friendship and playing nicely with others. What if a dinosaur's friends come to play? Does he mope, does he pout if he can't get his way? Does he hide all his dump trucks, refusing to share? Does he throw his friends' coloring books up in the air? Time and time again, children are told to "play nice." This brilliantly illustrated board book is packed with rhymes that will teach children how. Mark Teague's laugh-aloud illustrations, along with Jane Yolen's playful text, will show children that "playing nice" can be easy and fun. Perfect for parents to read aloud with their children, this book is as humorous as it is instructive.

## **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: AD560L (What's this?) Series: How Do Dinosaurs Board book: 12 pages Publisher: The Blue Sky Press; Brdbk edition (August 1, 2006) Language: English ISBN-10: 043985654X ISBN-13: 978-0439856546 Product Dimensions: 0.5 x 5.8 x 6.8 inches Shipping Weight: 8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (174 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #1.689 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #8 in Books > Children's Books > Animals > Dinosaurs #12 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > Manners #12 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > Social Skills Age Range: 3 - 5 years Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## **Customer Reviews**

The full-size "How Do Dinosaurs..." books (Eat Their Food, Go To Bed, Get Well Soon, Go To School) are wonderful and fun, and this book follows in that mold. The story doesn't seem much shorter than in the bigger books, and has the same great rhyming cadence even though the words are more than the usual one-syllable words. It is fun for parents to read as well as children!The illustrations seem to be about as detailed as the bigger books, as well. They are just scaled down

versions. Of course I miss all the dinosaurs pictured in the endpapers of the bigger books, but the board books are more portable for the car, etc. and not as easily damaged. We also got the board book "How Do Dinosaurs Clean Their Rooms" and like it as well. However, "How Do Dinosaurs Count To Ten" and "How Do Dinosaurs Learn Their Colors" are our least favorite books in the series. My son is 18 months old and we started him with these books at about a year old. They are his favorites! He loves to pick out the small details he recognizes (toy trucks & balls, the dog or cat, etc.). And he definitely cares from one day to the next which one we pick out to read - they don't all seem the same to him. He likes some of the dinosaurs better than others, some of the stories better, etc. Great series. My only question is, why are all the dinosaurs male? I have a boy so I didn't think of it until recently, after reading the series for six months. We have all the books and all the dinosaurs are referred to as "he". I know, they are tough and scary, but there has to be female dinosaurs, too! Unfortunately, stereotypes are being reinforced here. But that is my ONLY complaint with these books. I'm sure girls will love them, too. The dinosaurs are pictured in a "people" world, inside houses, riding in cars, inside school, etc., so the message is not gender-specific.

My 2 year old loves books and when I asked the children's librarian for some suggestions for my dinosaur lover she suggeted all of Jane Yolen's dinosaur books. My son adores this one. I like it since it has a wonderful message about sharing with friends and we are working on that skill. We read it over and over and I am now going to have to purchase it to keep at home. The board book is a great size since we can take it in the car or in the diaper bag.

These Dinosaur books are great for both boys and girls. I brought this book (and two other Jane Yolen Dinosaur books) into my sons pre-schoolclass and they all begged me to read more...These books are great and they teach lessons in a very funny way.

My 2 year old son and 4 year old daughter both love these books. My 4 year old daughter is a beginning reader, so these books are great for her to practice her emerging skills. My 2 year old son loves the illustations and the stories. He shakes his head "no" the whole time we are describing the "bad" dinosaurs behavior. He has even begun memorizing some of the books in the series. I like that these books give little lessons in proper ways to behave while still providing ample entertainment.

We've pretty much bought out the board book versions of this series, as it's captivated our ~2 year

old. The artwork is vibrant without being cartoony and realistic without being photo-realistic, the text/art/page count balance is "about right" for the attention span of a toddler, the messages are kind ones. There's genuine craft here that hopefully adults can appreciate as well, which makes it a pleasure all around at storytime.

I purchased this book to "round out" an order I was placing and, after receiving it, am so glad I did. The book is written in such a way that young children can understand it's message, plus the pictures are vibrant and really catch a youngster's attention. I gave this book to my 2 and 4 year old grandsons and it has become one of their favorites. I now plan to order more from the series and pass them on to the rest of the grandchildren.

My four year old grandson needed to learn to play more harmoniously with other children. He loves dinosaurs. This combination of dinosaurs and "how to" has hit the spot and he almost knows the book by heart. He asks for it all the time and laughs as we read. The drawings in the book are great getting across the whole emotion for not sharing or hogging toys etc. I cannot recommend this book enough. sharing is not something that the individual child gravitates to naturally for the most part - here's your help for getting along.

We love the How Do Dinosaurs books! This board book has gone through our oldest daughter, the kids I cared for at our licensed home daycare, and is now being loved and appreciated by our 1 and 3 year olds. It has some marks on it from the kids, but it is still in very good condition and is a book we read frequently. I love how the name of the dinosaur is right next to it so I don't look like an idiot when someone says, "Mommy, what kind of dinosaur is that?" The pictures are fun and the dinosaurs always have something to teach my kids. In this book we learn how to share and take turns with our friends - lessons they'll use throughout their lives.

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