

BULLYSAURUS REX

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JUST 1 OF 50+ SHOWS ON TOUR THIS SEASON!

BRIGHT STAR TOURING THEATRE

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About our show!

Your students will have a dino-mite time traveling to the land before kind! Bullysaurs Rex is doing everything he can to stop the other dinosaurs from accepting and being kind to the new dinosaur on the block Terri Dactyl. This anti-bullying show features fantastic costuming that will have your young audiences rolling with delight. This show is designed to empower audiences with the tools to stop someone from bullying them and help end bullying with they see it.

What Am I seeing?

This production is a real life professional theatrical show. Our professional actors join us from across America and travel the country in a mini-van with three different 45-minute shows. They'll average around 16-20 shows a week and drive about 1,000 miles bringing professional theatre to young audiences--just like yours.



DID YOU KNOW? According to the National Education Association 160,000 students miss school every day due to fear or intimidation from another student? And 1 out of every 10 students who drops out of school does so because of repeated bullying. Our company places a strong emphasis on anti-bullying programs because we believe that with strong communities and awareness, we can work together to resolve the issue of bullying.

What to do if you're being bullied

Know you're not alone and that it is NOT your fault. Remember everybody is going to get bullied at sometime or another.

*Try to stay strong. If they see you're unaffected, often times they will lose interest in bullying you.

*Walk away from the bully when they approach you.

*Tell them to stop and walk away. Keep walking and don't turn around no matter what they say.

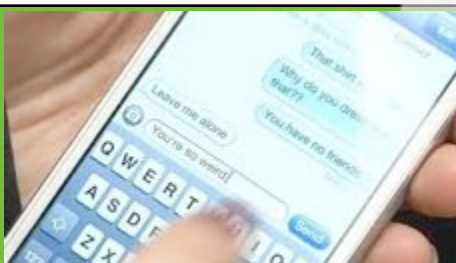
*Stay positive. Don't forget all of the things you're good at and remind yourself of how bad the bully must feel inside.

*Stay confident. Bullies love to pick on people they think are weaker than them.

*Try avoiding them all together.

*Have friends around you as often as possible.

*Tell an adult. It may seem difficult, but it is a great way to help bring about change. If that adult doesn't help you, then keep telling adults you trust until you find someone that will.



UNLIKE IN DINO TIMES, CYBER BULLYING IS A MAJOR PROBLEM TODAY. IT MEANS USING TECHNOLOGY LIKE CELL PHONES, FACEBOOK AND TWITTER TO BULLY OTHERS. 70% OF TEENS SAY THEY HAVE SEEN FREQUENT CYBER BULLYING ONLINE.



THE BAD HABITS OF BULLIES GO BEYOND THE CLASSROOM. IN FACT, THOSE WHO BULLY IN SCHOOL ARE MORE LIKELY TO ENGAGE IN ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS STEALING, VIOLENCE AND VANDALISM.



BULLYING CAN BE MORE THAN NAME CALLING AND HARSH WORDS. IT CAN MEAN SPREADING RUMORS, MEAN JOKES, EXCLUDING OTHERS, MAKING THREATS AND EVEN CAUSING PHYSICAL HARM TO OTHERS.

DINO FACTS!

The word dinosaur comes from the Greek language and means **“terrible lizard”**.

Dinosaurs ruled the Earth for over 160 million years during what scientists call the **Mesozoic Era**.

Dinosaurs died out around **65 million years ago**.

A person who studies dinosaurs is known as a **Paleontologist**.

Did you know? Birds descended from a type of dinosaur known as theropods.

The first dinosaur to be formally named was the **Megalosaurus**, back in 1834.

Tyrannosaurus Rex means **“tyrant lizard king”** but is often shortened to T-Rex. The Field Museum in Chicago has a 85% complete T-Rex skeleton, the dino's name is Sue :)

Triceratops means **“three horned face”** and their skull could grow over 7 feet in length! They also had anywhere from **400 to 800 teeth!**

Stegosaurus' were **herbivores**, which means they only ate plants and their brains were the same size of a dogs.

The Apatosaurus is one of the largest animals to ever, they are **75 feet tall!**

CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES:

Live action poem!

This activity requires a large poster. Write the poem down on large poster paper so everyone can follow along. Have the students stand up to recite and act out this Dinosaur themed poem by Nancy Klein. The students should remember meeting these dinosaurs' in our play but a little picture reminder of what each dino looks like might help inform their acting choices.

“Spread your arms, way out wide,
Fly like a Pteranodon, soar and glide.

Bend to the floor, head down low,
Move like a Stegosaurus, long ago.

Reach up tall, try to be
As tall as Apatosaurus eating on a tree.

Using your claws, grumble and growl
Just like a Tyrannosaurus on the prowl.”

Egg-cellent Dinosaurs!

This activity requires 2 blank sheets of paper, crayons, stapler or tape, and scissors. On the first, draw your very own dinosaur, be sure to give them a really dino-mite name. Next, using your second piece of paper, cut out a large egg, big enough to cover at least most of your dino drawing. Finally, staple or tape your egg on top of your dino drawing to show that dino's come from eggs but could become large creatures.

Discovering Dinosaurs!

This activity requires index cards and books or the internet from research. Research your favorite dinosaur. Make sure to include these important facts before you present your findings to the class. The scientific name of the dino and what the name means. Where and when the dino lived. How big they were, height, length and weight. What foods they ate and why they are special to you. Feel free to include any extra interesting facts you might have stumbled across in your research.

Matchmaker Game!

This activity requires dinosaur stickers and index cards and at least 2 players. Place your dinosaur stickers on one side of each index card, make sure you stick a matching sticker to another index card. Once you have used up all your stickers, lay the index cards dino side down, mixing them up as you go. Now for the really fun part! Each player will take their turn picking up their first card, then try to find your dino's match. You only get one try to find the match so if you guess wrong., flip both cards back over. Do your best to remember where each dino is. If you get a match, keep those cards. The player with the most matches at the end of the game wins!

Parts of a Story

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Seeing a play is a great time to explain to students and young audiences that theatre tells stories, just like books accept on the stage instead of on the page! Before seeing the play, consider going over the following terms with students and see if they can find out the following elements of Bullysaurus Rex after watching the show.

Setting: Where does the story take place?

Characters: There are 5 characters in our play. Can you name them all?

Plot: Can you describe what happens in the story?

Protagonist (or the main character): Who was the protagonist in our play?

Fiction: A story that is make up, or not real. Do you think our story was fiction? Why or why not?

Conflict: The main problem in a story. What is the conflict in our play? Does it get resolved or fixed in the end?

Antagonist: The character who is making a conflict for the main character (protagonist). Who's the antagonist in our show?

DINOSAUR JOKES!



What do you call a dinosaur with no eyes? A doyouthinkhesawus

Why do museums have old dinosaur bones? Cause they can't afford new ones.



What did dinosaurs use to make their hot dogs? Jurassic Pork.



Why did dinosaurs go extinct? Because they wouldn't take a bath

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Bring up these discussion topics to the whole class. Allow some time for the students to bounce ideas off of one another.

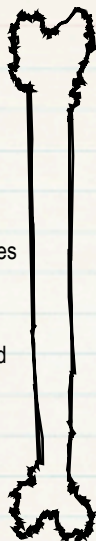
1. What do you think happened to all the Dinosaurs? Scientists says that 65 million years ago, a mass extinction occurred. What could have caused that?
2. What is a carnivorous dinosaur? What kinds of foods might they eat? What is an herbivorous dinosaur? What kinds of foods do they eat?
3. What do you think the world would be like if Dinosaurs hadn't gone extinct? Would you keep one as a pet? Would you be scared? How would you feel?
4. Why do you think it's important that people don't bully one another?
5. What are some things that other people do that you are impressed by? Do you think it's important that people have different strengths and weaknesses?

LET'S CREATE OUR OWN DINOSAURS



Using construction paper, newspaper, paper plates or other recyclables--create your very own dinosaur! What does your dinosaur look like? What's the name for your dinosaur? Where would he live, eat and what would he do for fun?

Another option would be to paint or draw these new dinosaurs--if you're looking for a little less mess.



Teach your students about the different kind of dinosaurs--some flew, some swam, some were tiny little things and some were gigantic! In an open area have the students walk around the space--you will then call out the various kinds and they will walk

PUT ON A PLAY:

SMALL GROUP ACTIVITY

In our production we used dinosaurs to spread an important anti-bullying message. Breaking into small groups can you create your own production that you can present to the class that has it's own important message?

This activity can be great for creative writing, working as a team, presenting in front of a class, understanding stories, and more!



YOU CAN DO THIS TOO!

Where to start: All of our actors started out playing and telling stories when they were young -then they decided to study acting in school. Now they are pros! Here are some ways you can start doing theatre right away!

In School! Does your school have plays or musical performances? This is a great place to start.

In Your Community! Many towns have community theaters or local acting groups. See if you can try out!

Start Something! If your school doesn't have a drama club or a theatre club, talk to your favorite teacher about how you might be able to start one.

At Home! Get together with friends, cousins, brothers and sisters and make your own play. You can make up plays based on your favorite books and stories. Invite family and friends to see your performance.

Try new things and do your best at them!

There are lots of jobs in the theatre besides acting. There are people who paint the sets, make costumes, write plays and more. Get the most out of your art, music and English classes. You can use all of these things to be a live theatre pro!

Before, During and After the Play...



BEFORE YOU SEE THE PLAY...

Attending the theatre is very different from watching TV or going to the movies. For one thing, the actors are real people who are performing right then and there. They can see and hear everything that happens in the audience. Because of this, YOU are an important part of the play and its important to do your job as an audience member well. Here are some tips before you see the play.

1. Please be quiet and respectful so everyone else around you can hear what's happening and so the actors can do their job.
2. If something is funny, it is okay to laugh!
3. The actors may ask you to participate. Don't be afraid to respond, ask a question or volunteer!
4. Keep your hands to yourself and your eyes up front.
5. If you like the play, be sure to clap at the end.
6. Have fun! Enjoy yourself!

FUN FACTS ABOUT THEATRE!

After a play is over and everyone goes home, there is always a light left on backstage. It's called a ghost light!

The oldest play that is still around was written by an Ancient Greek named Aeschylus. It's almost 2500 years old!

The longest performance on stage ever was over 23 hours long! It happened in New Jersey in 2010.

William Shakespeare is a famous play writer. He wrote 37 plays and is still quoted by many people. There are 157 million google pages that mention him--the most of any famous person ever!

After seeing the Play...

Write your own review of the play! A review is a way of telling your thoughts about a play, movie or book. Consider the following when you are writing your review.

What was your favorite part? Who was your favorite character? Can you summarize the play in your own words? If you had written this play, would you have done anything different? Would you recommend this play to a friend? Name one new thing you learned from watching this play!

In theatre, it's considered bad luck to tell an actor, "Good luck" before a performance. Instead, you're supposed to say, "Break a leg!"



Everything about the Theatre!



A mini-van is our hip and favored mode of transportation for touring the country!

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THEATRE VOCABULARY!

Actor: The people on-stage performing the play.

Backdrop: The background for the play.

Props: Anything that an actor holds while on-stage--a cane, book or rubber chicken.

Downstage: the area closest to the audience a long time ago stage were built at angles.



Upstage: The area away from the audience, like the back wall of the a stage.

Director: The person who told the actors where to go while they were on-stage and helped them create the characters they played.

Facts about us!

1. Did you know we're owned by an Emmy winning actor?
2. Our actors average 1,000 miles a week traveling the country to entertain young audiences.
3. Our programs have been seen in almost every corner of the country and even around the world.
4. We watch over 1200 actors audition before we cast our season.
5. We offer dozens of different shows a season from Black History to anti-bullying and literary classics.
6. We toured Moscow with performances of our Aesop's Fables.
7. We're based in Asheville, NC.

ABOUT US!

Founded in 2003, Bright Star Theatre tours the nation offering high quality, affordable programs to every imaginable venue. We've had countless engagements at the National Theatre, toured to Moscow and are so grateful to be in your very school today!

Costumes: The wigs, clothing and glasses that the actors wore to help flush out their characters .



Auditions: How an actor gets a role is by auditioning. They may have to interview, pretend to be a character from the play or read something from it.

Set Designer: The person who decided what should be on the background and who painted or created it.

The Process of a Play:

1. Actors audition
2. Directors cast the show (that means they choose actors)
3. The directors and actors rehearse the play (that means they practice it).
4. A team of people works on building the set, costumes and props.
5. The play opens (that means it is performed for the first time)!

Were there other terms that came from the experience of seeing the live play that you'd like to learn more about?



BRIGHT STAR THEATRE

Bright Star Touring Theatre performs across the country from Boston to Burbank and many schools, museums, theaters and community events in between. Each season our shows run the gamut from Black History to anti-bullying, from literary classics to biographical shows. Our shows are available throughout the year for any event in any part of the world.

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Made its debut in September of 2016
National Tour

We want every show to be special and remarkable for our audience. Please feel free to connect with us at anytime to tell us about your experience:

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