**What to do**

**Listening & Speaking**

*IMPORTANT Parent or Carer –*

*Please check that you are happy with any weblinks or use of the internet.*

Our focus today is speaking and listening – expressing ourselves in spoken language.

**1. Talk about what you know about dinosaurs**

Discuss what you know about dinosaurs. (This may be a huge amount or a little, depending on your child’s interests.) Collect any dinosaur toys or information books you have, and look at different types of dinosaur (*or look at the sheet below*). Describe their shapes, limbs, colour and other features. How big do we think a dinosaur was? Would it fit in our home? *They came in a huge range of sizes – the smallest could fit in our hand and the longest was thought to be as long as four buses.*

**2. Listen to a story book**

Watch and listen to the story of **If I had a dinosaur** by Gabby Dawnayin this Cbeebies Bedtime Stories clip: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KA1rpm15nj0> (or you could read the story to your child if you have a copy at home).

**3. Respond to the story**

* Talk about the book. *What pet did the girl want? What would she do with it?* Talk about whether we can have dinosaurs as pets. *Why not? Is this book about real dinosaurs or story book ones?*
* Imagine if you could choose a pet dinosaur. Talk about your ideas. *What would it look like? How big would it be? What would it like to eat? Where would it sleep?*
  + Together, draw a picture and write some words to describe *My Pet Dinosaur* below.

**Try these Fun-Time Extras**

* Watch, listen and talk about these dinosaur facts: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/curations/dinosaur-facts>
* Join in with these fun dinosaur raps: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/playlist-andys-dinosaur-raps>

**My Pet Dinosaur**

