

DINOSAURS

COMPREHENSION

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Humans today drink the same water that dinosaurs were the main animals that lived on Earth more than 65 million years ago. The word dinosaur comes from the Greek language and means "terrible lizard". The era is broken down into three periods, many of which are now extinct. Throughout these periods, many different types of dinosaurs of various sizes lived on the planet. Humans have learned a lot about dinosaurs from their fossils or remains. Since the 1800s, their fossils have been found all over the world. Dinosaurs lived in environments such as tropical forests and deserts. The first named dinosaur is believed to have been found in 1824, he described them and named the animal. Scientists have also discovered that birds and dinosaurs are a direct descendant of a larger theropod.

TASK 5: TRUE OR FALSE

Directions: Answer each question below by coloring in the box of the TRUE statements. Next, unscramble the word using the large bold letters of only the TRUE statements.

Mossosaurs were roughly the size of a chicken.	The first scientifically named dinosaur was found by Donald Abbott.	The word dinosaur comes from the French language and means "big reptile."	Scientists believe that most dinosaurs had feathers.
N	D	A	I
The oldest known dinosaur is the T-Rex.	Dinosaur fossils have been found all over the world.	There were many different types of dinosaurs of various sizes.	Dinosaurs roamed the planet for 150 million years.
F	N	T	C
At the end of the Triassic Period, dinosaurs became extinct.	Scientists do not know for sure which was the largest or smallest dinosaur.	There are roughly 16,000 known species of extinct dinosaurs.	Dreadnoughtus could reach 85 feet in length.
B	E	W	I
The Mesozoic Era is broken down into seven periods.	Scientists have discovered that birds and dinosaurs have remarkably similar DNA.	Humans today drink the same water that dinosaurs once did.	Fossils and new species of dinosaurs are continuously being discovered.
L	X	T	O

SECRET WORD

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TASK 4: TEXT COMPREHENSION

Directions: Find the answers in the text or color them with the correct color.

Who discovered the first dinosaur? **Y**

Roughly how long did dinosaurs live? **L**

What are scientists looking for? **F**

How long were the longest dinosaurs? **85**

What are the three periods of the Mesozoic Era? **T, J, C**

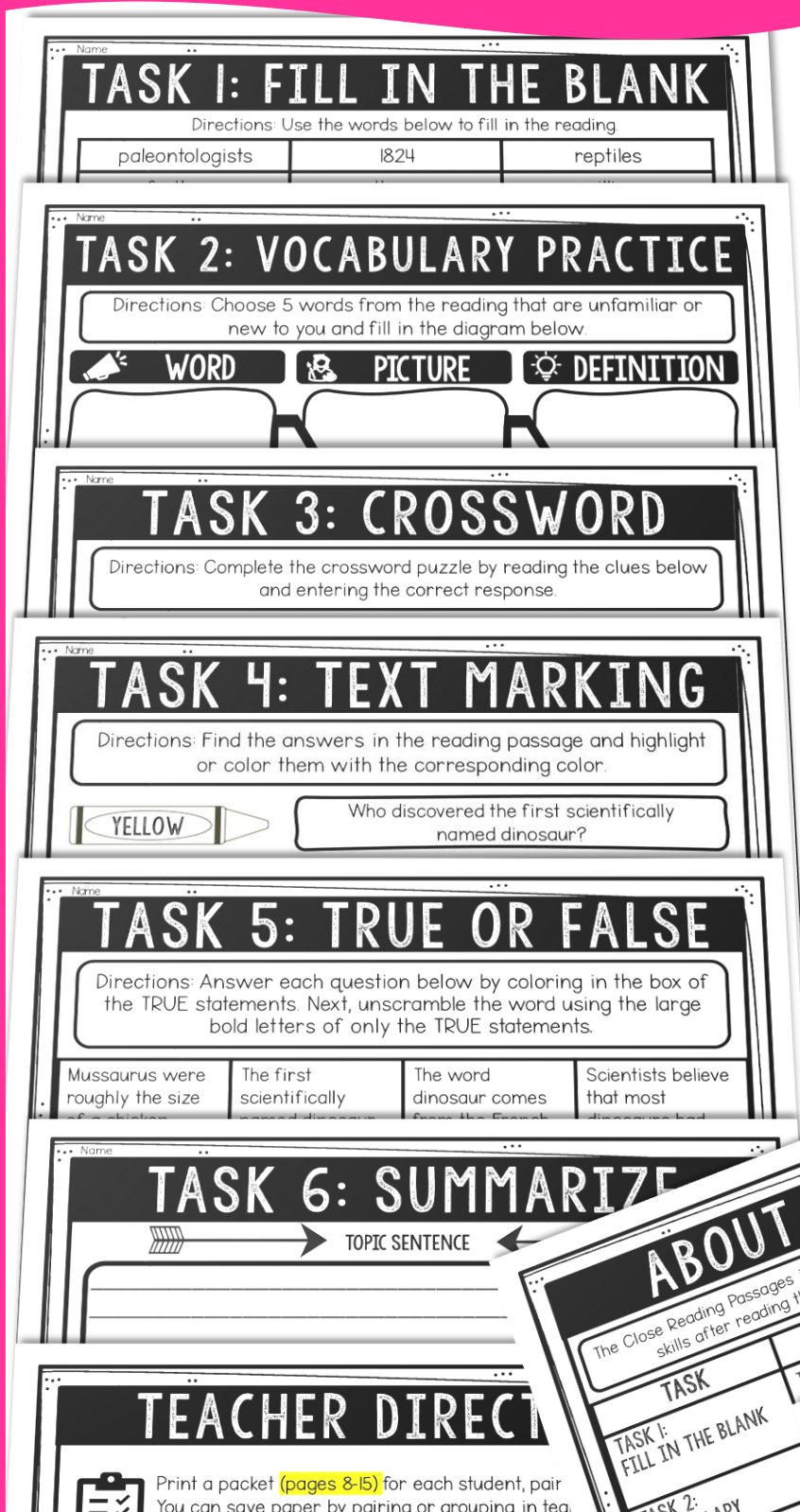
Which small dinosaur was the size of a pig? **M**

Directions: Place the following sentence in the reading passage.

Something do not know about dinosaurs is that they were once dinosaurs.

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WHAT'S INCLUDED?

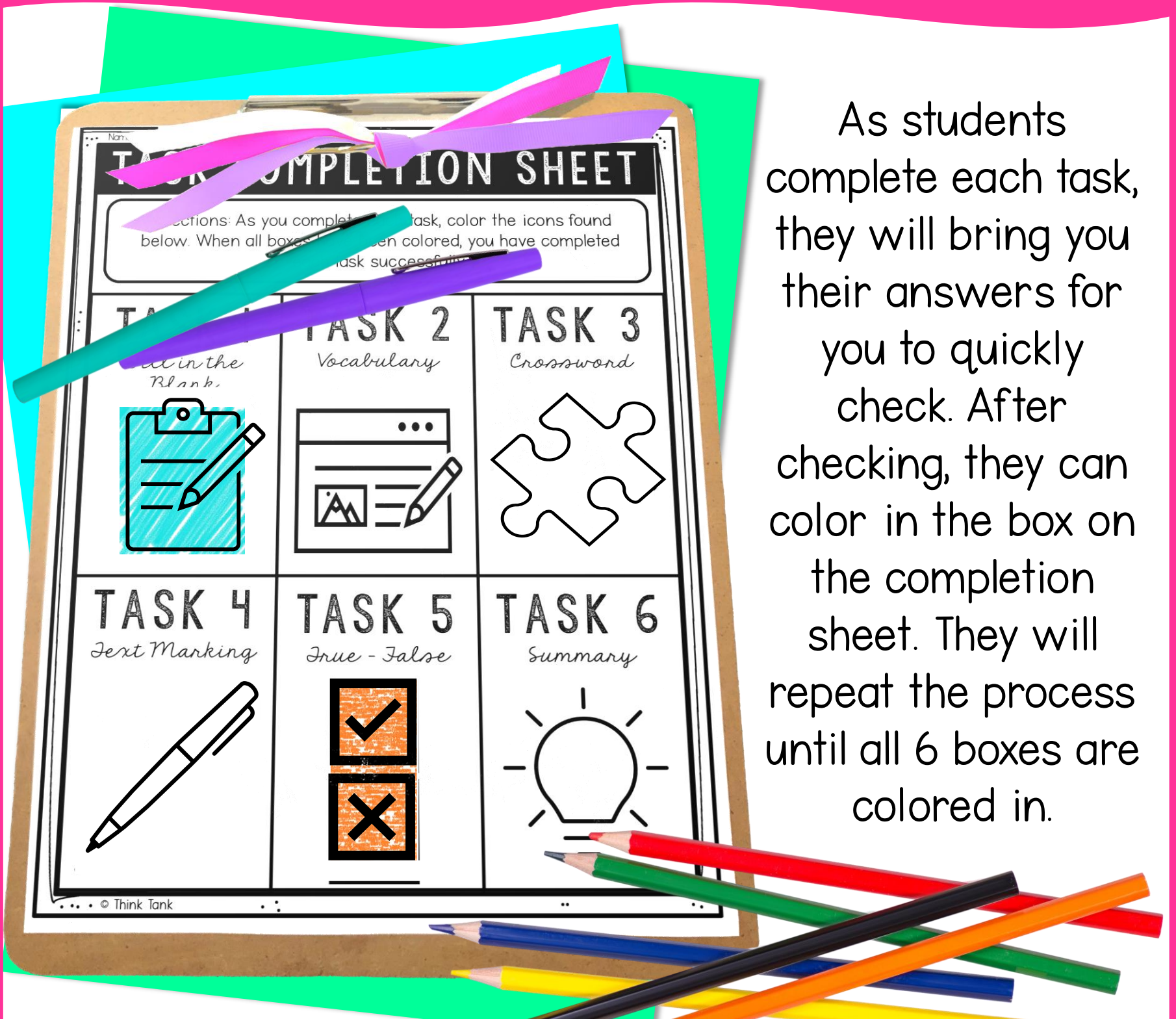


- ✓ Task 1: Fill in the Blank
- ✓ Task 2: Vocabulary
- ✓ Task 3: Crossword Puzzle
- ✓ Task 4: Text Marking
- ✓ Task 5: True or False
- ✓ Task 6: Graphic Organizer
- ✓ Student Completion Sheet
- ✓ Teacher Answer Key
- ✓ Teacher Guide

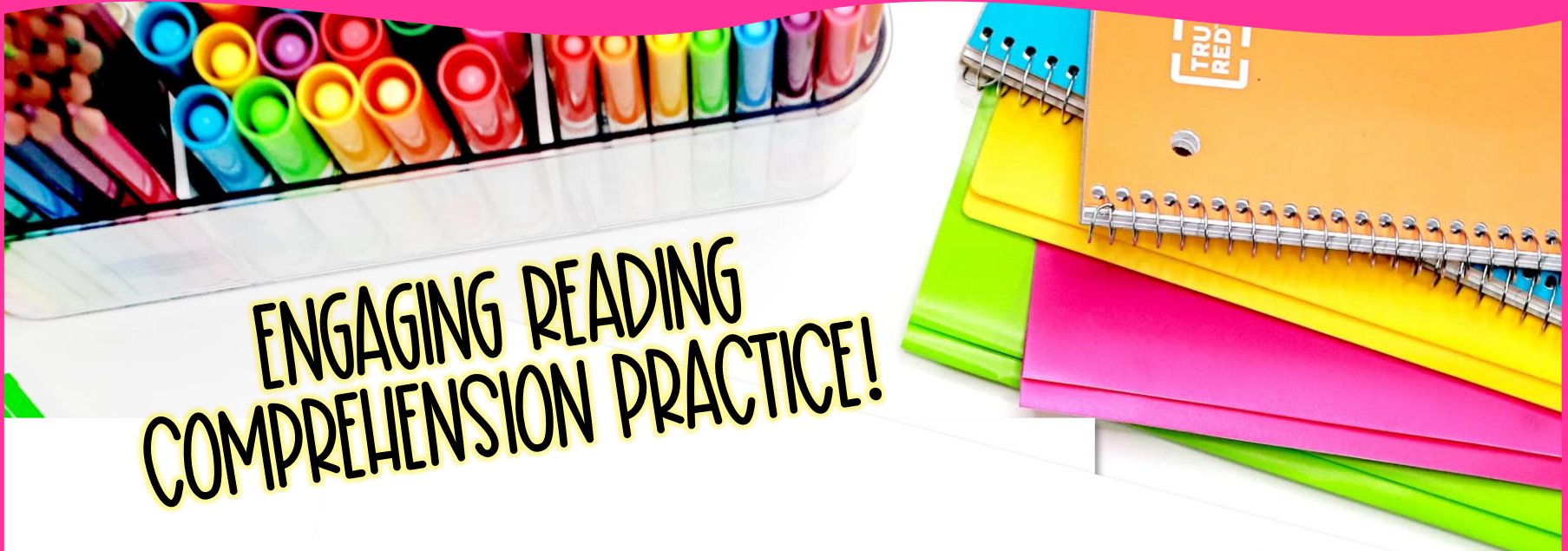


EARN ICONS

As students complete each task, they will bring you their answers for you to quickly check. After checking, they can color in the box on the completion sheet. They will repeat the process until all 6 boxes are colored in.



HOW IT WORKS



ENGAGING READING COMPREHENSION PRACTICE!

1

Students work individually (or in pairs) and read the full passage.

2

Students go back through the passage several times and complete each of the six activities related to the reading.

3

Students “earn” icons when they complete a task correctly.

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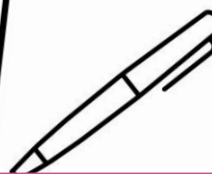
Students color in the icons as they earn them.



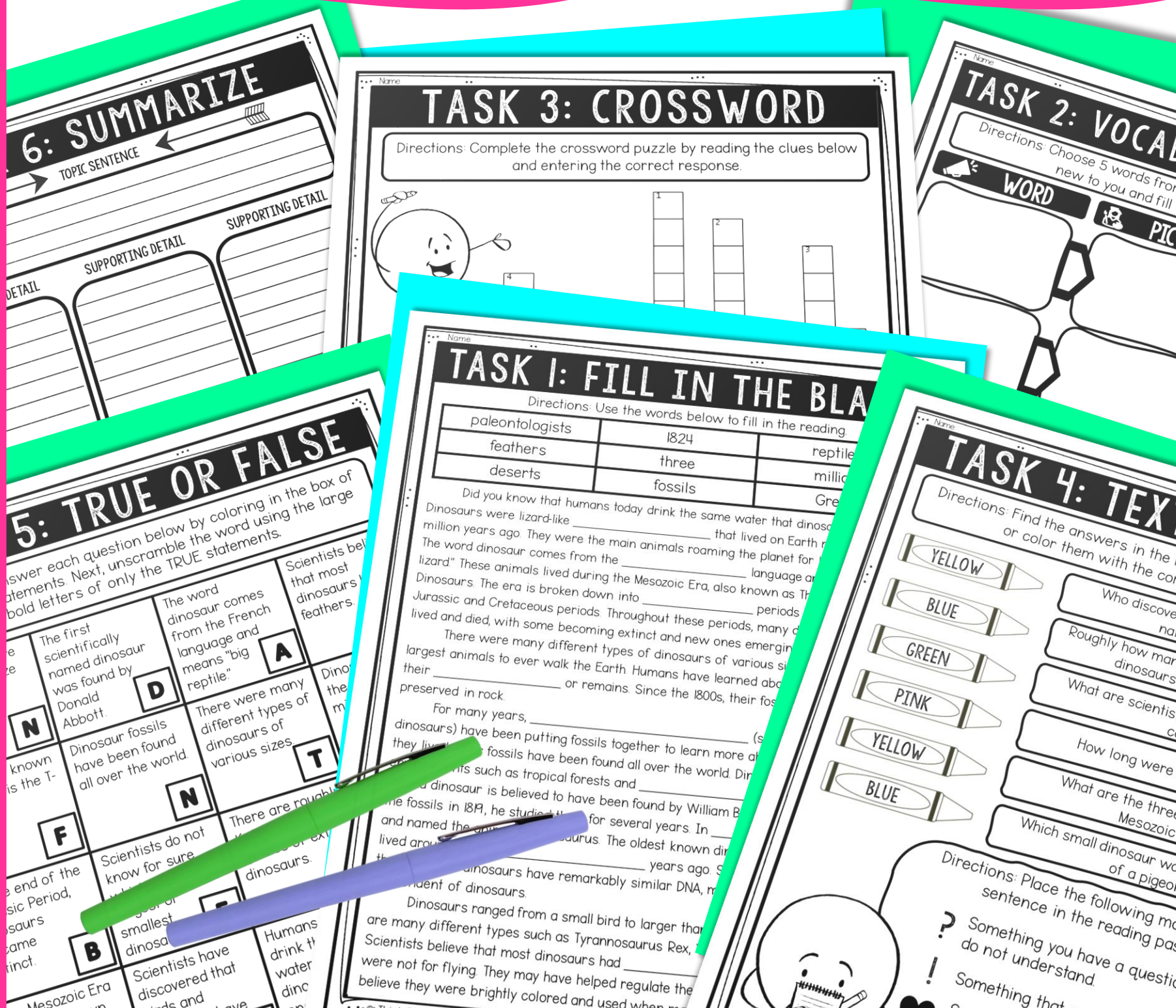
NAME _____

TASK COMP

Directions: As you complete below. When all boxes have each task

TASK 1 <i>Fill in the Blank</i> 	TASK 2 <i>Vocabulary</i> 
TASK 4 <i>Text Marking</i> 	TASK 5 <i>True - False</i> 

6 TASKS



BENEFITS & USE



- ✎ ANTICIPATORY SETS
- ✎ UNIT REVIEW
- ✎ EARLY FINISHERS
- ✎ STATIONS
- ✎ SUB PLANS
- ✎ PARTNER WORK
- ✎ ENRICHMENT

- ✎ NO PREP
- ✎ PRINT AND GO
- ✎ CROSS-CURRICULAR
- ✎ HIGHLY ENGAGING