

# **Dinosaur**

## **Varieties**

There were many varieties of dinosaur, some of which have evolved into modern reptiles and birds. Some of the most famous are the brontosaurus (thunder lizard), the triceratops, the plesiosaur, the pterodactyl, the tyrannosaurus rex, and the ichthyosaur. The fossilised remains of an ichthyosaur were discovered by Mary Bush at Lyme Regis in the nineteenth century, as a result of which she became a famous fossil collector.

## **Folklore**

It was once thought that the remains of dinosaurs which were occasionally uncovered were the bones of dragons.

## **Mythology**

The Loch Ness Monster is believed to be a surviving dinosaur. If it exists, however, there would have to be more than one, in order for it to be able to breed.

## **Symbolism**

The dinosaur symbolises anything that has been out-evolved by something else, also large and unwieldy organisations, technology, or ideas.