

## Accidental Discovery of 92-Foot Dinosaur in China

### Description

In late 2025, workers in Chongqing, China, found the bones of a giant dinosaur. This dinosaur is called *Tongnanlong zhimingi*. It is a new species that scientists had not seen before.

The dinosaur is about 28 meters long. This makes it one of the biggest land animals known. The discovery is important because it can tell us more about dinosaurs and how they lived.

A research team led by Xuefang Wei wrote a report about the dinosaur in November 2025. They found the bones in a formation that is about 147 million years old. This area also has fossils of different animals like turtles and clams, showing that it was a wet environment.

Scientists believe that this area could support many large herbivores, which are plant-eating animals. The position of *Tongnanlong*'s remains shows it died near where it was found.

The discovery challenges an old theory. This theory said that dinosaurs in East Asia evolved in isolation. The finding suggests that dinosaurs moved more widely than previously thought.

### Vocabulary List:

1. **Species** /'spi:ʃi:z/ (noun): A group of living organisms consisting of similar individuals capable of exchanging genes or interbreeding.
2. **Discovery** /dɪs'kʌvəri/ (noun): The act of finding or uncovering something new.
3. **Environment** /ɪn'veɪrənmənt/ (noun): The surroundings or conditions in which a person animal or plant lives or operates.
4. **Herbivores** /'hɜ:rbɪvɔ:rɪz/ (noun): Animals that primarily eat plants.
5. **Fossils** /'fa:səlz/ (noun): The remains or impression of a prehistoric organism preserved in petrified form or as a mold or cast in rock.
6. **Theory** /'θi:əri/ (noun): A supposition or a system of ideas intended to explain something.

### Comprehension Questions

#### Multiple Choice

1. What is the name of the new giant dinosaur species found in Chongqing, China in late 2025?

Option: Tongnanlong zhimgi  
Option: Brachiosaurus  
Option: Stegosaurus  
Option: Tyrannosaurus Rex

2. How long is the dinosaur Tongnanlong zhimgi estimated to be?

Option: 10 meters  
Option: 20 meters  
Option: 28 meters  
Option: 35 meters

3. Who led the research team that discovered the dinosaur bones in Chongqing in November 2025?

Option: Xuefang Wei  
Option: Michael Jordan  
Option: Maria Lopez  
Option: David Smith

4. What age is the formation where the dinosaur bones were found in Chongqing?

Option: 50 million years old  
Option: 100 million years old  
Option: 147 million years old  
Option: 200 million years old

5. What type of environment is indicated by the presence of fossils like turtles and clams in the discovery area?

Option: Desert  
Option: Wetland  
Option: Mountain  
Option: Forest

6. What does the discovery of Tongnanlong zhimgi challenge?

Option: Theory of evolution  
Option: Theory of plate tectonics  
Option: Theory of relativity  
Option: Theory of gravity

### True-False

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7. The dinosaur *Tongnanlong zhimgi* is one of the smallest land animals known.
8. The presence of large herbivores is suggested by the discovery in Chongqing, China.
9. The report about *Tongnanlong zhimgi* was written in September 2025.
10. The remains of *Tongnanlong zhimgi* indicate it died far from where it was found.
11. Before the discovery, scientists had already seen the species *Tongnanlong zhimgi*.
12. The finding of *Tongnanlong zhimgi* suggests a wider range of dinosaur movement.

### Gap-Fill

13. The age of the formation where *Tongnanlong zhimgi* was found is about \_\_\_\_\_ million years old.
14. Scientists found fossils of different animals in the discovery area, showing that it was a \_\_\_\_\_ environment.
15. The dinosaur *Tongnanlong zhimgi* was discovered in Chongqing, China in late \_\_\_\_\_.
16. Xuefang Wei led the research team that wrote a report about *Tongnanlong zhimgi* in \_\_\_\_\_ 2025.
17. The discovery of *Tongnanlong zhimgi* challenges the theory that dinosaurs in East Asia evolved in \_\_\_\_\_.
18. Large herbivores are believed to have been supported in the area where *Tongnanlong zhimgi* was found due to its ability to support many \_\_\_\_\_.



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## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Tongnanlong zhimgi 2. 28 meters 3. Xuefang Wei 4. 147 million years old 5. Wetland  
6. Theory of dinosaur isolation in East Asia

**True-False:** 7. False 8. True 9. False 10. False 11. False 12. True

**Gap-Fill:** 13. 147 14. wet 15. 2025 16. November 17. isolation 18. herbivores

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