



Scientists show 240 million-year-old fossil called 'Chinese dragon'

Description

Scientists now understand what a very old sea animal looked like. They are using new fossils they found. This animal lived 240 million years ago. It is called *Dinocephalosaurus orientalis*.

Scientists first knew about this animal in 2003 from China. Now, they found more examples of it. Nick Fraser is a scientist. He said that, the animal looked like a dragon from China.

The bones of this animal were first seen more than 10 years ago. A person named Li Chun found them. He saw a small bone in a big rock in China. Then he found other bones near some pigs.

Scientists learned that the animal had a long neck. It had 32 bones in its neck. They think the long neck helped it eat. But they do not know for sure.

Scientists compare this "Chinese dragon" to another old sea animal. It also had a long neck. The other animal lived at the same time in Europe and China. Both animals looked similar. The "Chinese dragon" had many bones in its neck and body. It was good at living in the ocean. But scientists do not know what both animals look like today.

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Vocabulary List:

1. **Fossils** // (noun): The preserved remains or impression of a prehistoric organism.
2. **Dinocephalosaurius orientalis** // (noun): An ancient sea animal that lived 240 million years ago.
3. **Postponing** // (verb): Delaying an event or action to a later time.
4. **Comparing** // (verb): Examining two or more things to find similarities or differences.
5. **Pronounced** // (adjective): Clear and distinct in pronunciation.
6. **Impression** // (noun): A mark, effect, or feeling left behind by something.

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What is a public sale in which goods or property are sold to the highest bidder called?
Option: Bid
Option: Auction
Option: Sale
Option: Trade
2. Which field involves the application of scientific knowledge for practical purposes?
Option: Medicine
Option: Technology
Option: Philosophy
Option: Psychology
3. Who is responsible for controlling or administering an organization or group of staff?
Option: Employee
Option: Customer
Option: Manager
Option: Director
4. What type of technology assists the driver in controlling the vehicle?
Option: Driverless
Option: Autonomous
Option: Driver-assistance
Option: Manual
5. What process involves evaluating a system or its component with the intent to find whether it satisfies



the specified requirements?

- Option: Coding
- Option: Programming
- Option: Testing
- Option: Debugging

6. What material is often used to make shoes bags and jackets?

- Option: Metal
- Option: Plastic
- Option: Leather
- Option: Fabric

7. What is the act of calling off a previously planned event or arrangement called?

- Option: Acceptance
- Option: Reservation
- Option: Cancellation
- Option: Confirmation

8. What is the process of making something as effective or functional as possible?

- Option: Maximized
- Option: Optimized
- Option: Expanded
- Option: Reduced

9. What is the point or line where two roads or paths meet or cross?

- Option: Connection
- Option: Intersection
- Option: Merge
- Option: Divide

10. What term describes something that is productive or creative?

- Option: Basic
- Option: Generative
- Option: Static
- Option: Dormant

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. You need to bring a valid _____ for identification purposes.

12. The car's engine overheated due to a faulty _____ .



13. She was _____ to see her old friend at the party.
14. _____ is commonly used in the production of electronic devices.
15. Due to bad weather the outdoor event was _____ until next week.
16. The constant noise from the construction site was very _____.
17. She is always _____ prices before making a purchase.
18. The actor had a _____ accent that was difficult to understand.
19. She left a lasting _____ on the interviewer with her professionalism.
20. The flight _____ led to chaos at the airport.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The new computer program offers features for data analysis.
22. Paleontologists study to learn about ancient life forms.
23. It is important to act when dealing with sensitive information.
24. is an extinct marine reptile known for its long neck and slender body.
25. The stock market ends trading for the day with the .
26. The sudden drop in sales figures is quite for the company.
27. The new treatment could save thousands of lives.
28. The role of a involves overseeing the day-to-day operations of a team.
29. A investigates and delivers news stories to the public.
30. continues to evolve at a rapid pace transforming various industries.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Auction 2. Technology 3. Manager 4. Driver-assistance 5. Testing 6. Leather 7. Cancellation



8. Optimized 9. Intersection 10. Generative

Gap-Fill: 11. Document 12. Radiator 13. Surprised 14. Silicon 15. Postponed 16. Annoying 17. Comparing
18. Pronounced 19. Impression 20. Cancellation

Matching sentence: 1. Advanced 2. Fossils 3. Responsibly 4. Dinocephalosaurus orientalis 5. Closing bell
6. Worrying 7. Potentially 8. Manager 9. Reporter 10. Technology

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