

# **JURASSIC PARK**

## **READING GUIDE, P. 1 - 42**

Directions: Answer in complete sentences on your own paper.

1. Dr. Bobbie Carter says the workman seems to have been mauled by an animal. Who repeatedly insists he had not?
2. What probably happened to Dr. Carter's camera?
3. What is a raptor?
4. What odd fact does Tina notice about the lizard tracks?
5. List five more facts about the lizard that attacks Tina.
6. At first Dr. Guterrez thinks what animal attacked Tina?
7. How does Dr. Guterrez get a sample lizard to send for positive identification?
8. Who sees the lizards attacking the newborn baby?
9. Why is Alice Levin sure that Tina's drawing is a dinosaur?
10. Where are Grant and Dr. Sattler excavating?
11. John Hammond has been stockpiling something. What?
12. Grant and Dr. Sattler are experts on what particular dinosaur?
13. Why is Bob Morris asking a lot of questions about John Hammond?
14. A company that needs 24 Hood automated gene sequencers has to be working in what field?
15. A report about the juvenile hyperspace of dinosaurs would be about what?

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## READING GUIDE, P. 42 - 80

Directions: Answer in complete sentences on your own paper.

1. Grant and Ellie (Dr. Sattler) are confident that the X-ray Alice Levin faxes them is not that of a lizard but that of a dinosaur. What detail in particular convinces them?
2. When John Hammond hears that Grant may have evidence of a living procompsognathid, how does he respond?
3. Grant refuses to visit the island for the weekend until Hammond does what?
4. What developments make Donald Gennaro so uneasy about the project that he wants to have weekly site inspections?
5. How does Ian Malcolm feel about the project?
6. What offer does Gennaro make related to the procompsognathid?
7. As Ellie and Grant look at the plans for Jurassic Park, they remark that the park looks like two unrelated things. What are they?
8. List five facts about velociraptors.
9. John Hammond's miniature elephant looked cute and encouraged people to help support his project. What are three hints, however, that something was wrong with the elephant?
10. Because the elephant doesn't turn out quite as expected, what can we assume will be true of the whole project?
11. Even though there have been delays and problems, what does Hammond keep telling Gennaro?
12. Dodgson tells the directors at BioSyn that InGen can make money not only on admission to the park but also on what?
13. Dodgson gives the man he meets at the airport a can that looks like shaving cream. What is supposed to go into it?
14. After you read p. 73-76 about chaos theory, explain it in your own words.
15. How does each person respond to seeing the dinosaurs the first time? (Write at least a sentence for each one.)
  - A. Donald Genarro
  - B. Ellie Sattler
  - C. Alan Grant
  - D. Ian Malcolm

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## **READING GUIDE, P. 80 - 120**

Directions: Answer in complete sentences on your own paper.

1. Right away Drs. Grant and Sattler notice several problems with/changes needed to Jurassic Park. List three.
2. After he hears Gennaro's presentation, Malcolm announces two things. What are they?
3. Why has Hammond invited Tim and Alexis Murphy to join them on the island that weekend?
4. Who is older, Tim or Alexis?
5. Why is Tim surprised to see Grant?
6. How do we know that Tim really does know about dinosaurs?
7. What is Dr. Henry Wu's job?
8. Why has Hammond been stockpiling amber?
9. The computers analyze and make repairs in what?
10. What does Dennis Nedry design?
11. The hatchery is hot, with very high humidity and a higher percentage of oxygen than outside. Why are those conditions important?
12. Dr. Wu says the animals can't breed in the wild for two reasons. What are the reasons?
13. At first the baby raptor is happy to play with Grant. When does that change?
14. The animals are genetically engineered to be dependent on a supply of what chemical?
15. Describe the raptor attack. (Write a paragraph; use your own words.)

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## **READING GUIDE, P. 120 - 160**

Directions: Answer in complete sentences on your own paper.

1. How did John Hammond recruit Henry Wu? (What did he promise him?)
2. Name three tools the park uses to keep track of the animals' location.
3. The park tries to keep the animals contained in specific locations by what two means?
4. Why is Lex bored by the tour?
5. John Arnold has experience in two fields. Which one probably helped him get the job at Jurassic Park?
6. What animal has two broad, curving, red and black crests that met in a V in the top of its head, hoots like an owl, is about 10 feet tall with a spotted yellow and black body, and spits poison?
7. Although he had spent most of his life working as \_\_?\_\_, Robert Muldoon was most famous for his work as \_\_?\_\_.
8. Why does Muldoon worry about the raptors? (Write a paragraph.)
9. How does the park make sure the T-rex gets enough to eat?
10. Tim is sure he sees an animal in the hadrosaur field that is not a hadrosaur. What does he think he sees?
11. Dr. Sattler sure that the stegosaurus had eaten the West Indian lilac, even though the vet, Dr. Harding, said he didn't think she had. What symptom in particular convinces her?
12. What are gizzard stones?
13. Ian Malcolm says, "... the history of evolution is that life escapes all barriers. Life breaks free. Life expands to new territories. ... Life finds a way." Very soon after that, showing that Malcolm is right, Grant finds what?

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## **READING GUIDE, P. 160 - 197**

Directions: Answer in complete sentences on your own paper.

1. Why had the computer reported 238 animals when there were really 292?
2. How does Grant explain the fact that the park no longer had a problem with rats and mice?
3. Ellie and Gennaro stay with Dr. Harding and the stegosaurus. What do the others do?
4. What kind of geometry did Mandelbrot work with that describes both shapes and events?
5. Why is it important to get the boat to return to the island, even though a storm is coming?
6. Nedry says the phone will be tied up for how long?
7. Why is Nedry willing to steal the dinosaur embryos? (Two reasons)
8. No one worries much when the power goes out. Muldoon is concerned, however, when he notices something else. What?
9. Why do the Land Cruisers stop?
10. Why can Tim see the T-rex when Grant can't?
11. How does Tim know that the fence isn't electrified?
12. How are Tim and Lex separated?
13. Why can't the T-rex see Grant?
14. Harding, Gennaro, and Dr. Sattler have to use a different road, and they miss the dinosaurs. Why did they have to use a different road?
15. What happens to Nedry? (Write a paragraph.)

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## **READING GUIDE, P. 198 - 238**

Directions: Answer in complete sentences on your own paper.

1. What is Hammond's greatest fear about Jurassic Park? What does this fear show about his understanding of the problems and dangers of the park?
2. Why does Hammond think that helping humanity is a terrible way to use new technology?
3. Dr. Harding thinks the compys probably smell something dead. What might that be?
4. Why does Tim decide to let himself fall out of the tree?
5. Dr. Wu discovers that the animals that are breeding all have something in common. What is it?
6. Who finds Tim and Lex?
7. What happens to Ed Regis?
8. John Arnold has a huge job to do. What is it?
9. How does Muldoon know that Tim is still alive? (List a couple of reasons.)
10. What happened to Ian Malcolm?
11. At first Hammond is angry that his grandchildren are missing. Later, though, he calms down, eats some more ice cream, and says what?
12. What does Nedry's code called "WHT\_RT.OBJ" do to the computer system?
13. What does Muldoon ask Dr. Sattler to do?
14. Why does Grant decide not to climb a tree to spend the night?
15. Where do they end up spending the night?

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## **READING GUIDE, P. 238 - 276**

Directions: Answer in complete sentences on your own paper.

1. What does John Arnold figure out?
2. What does Ian Malcolm say happened to him?
3. Explain the Malcolm Effect. (Write a paragraph.)
4. What motivated Dr. Harding to join Hammond's project?
5. Why does Arnold say the Malcolm Effect doesn't apply to Jurassic Park?
6. Who is Ralph?
7. Why do the duckbills stampede?
8. Why doesn't the T-rex attack Grant when he first gets close?
9. Why does the T-rex abandon the attack on the raft?
10. Muldoon examines two carcasses. Whose?

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## **READING GUIDE, P. 276 - 314**

Directions: Answer in complete sentences on your own paper.

1. Why aren't the motion detectors finding Grant, Tim and Lex?
2. Why isn't the aviary on the tour?
3. How does Lex finally escape the cearadactyl?
4. Why does Grant keep checking the time?
5. The tyrannosaur knows that Grant, Tim, and Lex are in the raft in the river. Why doesn't he attack them?
6. Why does Malcolm tell Ellie to fill the bathtubs with water and get some flashlights?
7. Why does Grant tell Tim and Lex not to move as they float past the dilophosaurs?
8. Muldoon wonders what the tyrannosaur is looking for as it looks through the trees. Muldoon thinks it's microceratopsians, but the reader knows it's really what?
9. The tyrannosaur demonstrates problem-solving intelligence when it does what?
10. When Grant, Tim, and Lex find the machinery behind the waterfall, what is the first thing Grant looks for, and why?
11. What two important things does Grant discover in the storage area? (Hint: the flashlight is not one of them.)
12. Why does the tyrannosaur break off its attack on Tim and Lex?
13. Just as Arnold thinks all the systems are working as they should, what happens to the computer monitors and why?
14. Ian Malcolm scolds Hammond and scientists because they acquire power without what?
15. The raptors attack three people. Name them.



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## **READING GUIDE, P. 317-359**

Directions: Answer each question in complete sentences.

1. Everyone thinks the main building is impregnable (safe) until the raptors start doing what?
2. Who volunteers to distract the raptors? Of the three, which one actually distracts them?
3. Dr. Wu tells Grant how to do something. What is it?
4. How does Tim distract and trap the raptor?
5. When does the raptor attack Dr. Wu?
6. How does Ellie escape the raptors?
7. Once Tim starts using the computer, what is the most important system he needs to get back online?
8. How does Tim distract the two raptors chasing him and Lex?
9. Where do Tim and Lex meet Grant and Gennaro?
10. Three raptors chase Grant. Explain how all three die. (Use your own words.)

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## **READING GUIDE, P. 359-399**

Directions: Answer in complete sentences on your own paper.

1. How does Tim kill two raptors?
2. How do they convince the ship to return to the island?
3. Ian Malcolm doesn't believe that life on planet Earth is in danger. What is in danger, from his point of view?
4. What does Grant say must be done before the Costa Rican army arrives?
5. How are the people able to follow the juvenile raptor even though they can't see it?
6. As Hammond walks outside, he thinks about why the park has failed. What does he decide is the reason?
7. What happens to Ian Malcolm?
8. Where do the three people hide while in the raptor nest?
9. What odd raptor behavior do the people notice in the nest?
10. What causes Hammond to fall?
11. How does Hammond die?
12. Grant suspects that the raptors are interested in the ship for a specific purpose. What is it?
13. How does the government of Costa Rica treat the group?
14. Marty Guitierrez believes they are being kept in Costa Rica for what purpose?