

Language Elements Part 2

Read the following text and decide which of the words or phrases a–o is missing in items 31–40. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

Yutyrannus – a cuddly giant?

New archaeological discoveries have begun to show that far more dinosaur **31** existed than had **32** been thought, and some were more colourful than scientists could have predicted. The science magazine, *Wild Nature*, recently published an article describing a newly-identified creature, possibly **33** to the famous *Tyrannosaurus Rex*.

The *Yutyrannus Huali* is believed to have been a meat-eater that hunted in packs. Weighing more than a tonne when fully grown, the animal was clearly flightless, but still **34** of running at high speeds. What is particularly fascinating, however, is that this enormous and terrifying animal had fluffy feathers.

Scientists had already **35** that other, smaller members of the *theropod* family of dinosaurs had feathers, but it was unclear whether their larger cousins shared this **36**. Based on evidence from numerous fossils found over the last few years in **37** parts of China, where *Yutyrannus* lived some 125 million years ago, these feathers were long and probably covered its **38** body.

But what was the purpose of these feathers, if not to enable it to fly? Feathers on birds serve a number of **39**, including as a means of waterproofing, camouflage and protection. It's likely that the feathers also helped to keep the *Yutyrannus* warm while chasing prey through the snowy mountains of China. Some researchers believe that they may have been of **40** value, helping the creatures to attract partners for mating. As for colour, it is, unfortunately, not currently possible to say for sure how the *Yutyrannus* looked.

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