Little Dinosaur Escapes

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Level 17

Running Words 395 **Text Type** Narrative

Curriculum Areas English (Literacy, Literature, Language); Humanities (Geography, History); Science (Biological Sciences)

Retelling to Encourage Critical Thinking About the Content

Ask each student to retell the story in their own words.

Record the retelling for further discussion and reflection.

Questions to Reinforce Meaning and Stimulate Discussion

Literal

1 What are four things Little Dinosaur liked to eat?
2 Why was Little Dinosaur stuck, down by the log in the river bed?
3 What did Big Dinosaur do when he saw Little Dinosaur trapped under the log?
4 Why didn't Big Dinosaur hear the flood of water roaring down the creek bed?

Inferential

5 Why was Little Dinosaur still hungry after he ate the first lizard?
6 Why was the second lizard able to get away from Little Dinosaur?
7 Why was Little Dinosaur's nose sometimes in the air and sometimes not, as he was carried down the river?
8 When the flood washed Little Dinosaur over to the river bank, why did he crawl slowly up the bank?

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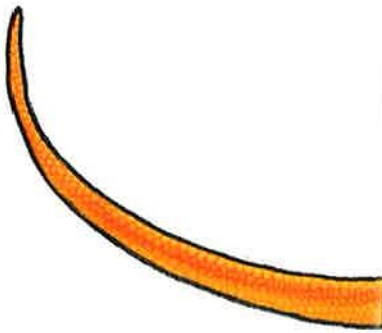
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One very hot day,
Little Dinosaur went out
to look for something to eat.

He liked eggs,
and he liked beetles and dragonflies,
but his favourite food was lizards.

It was time to go out hunting.





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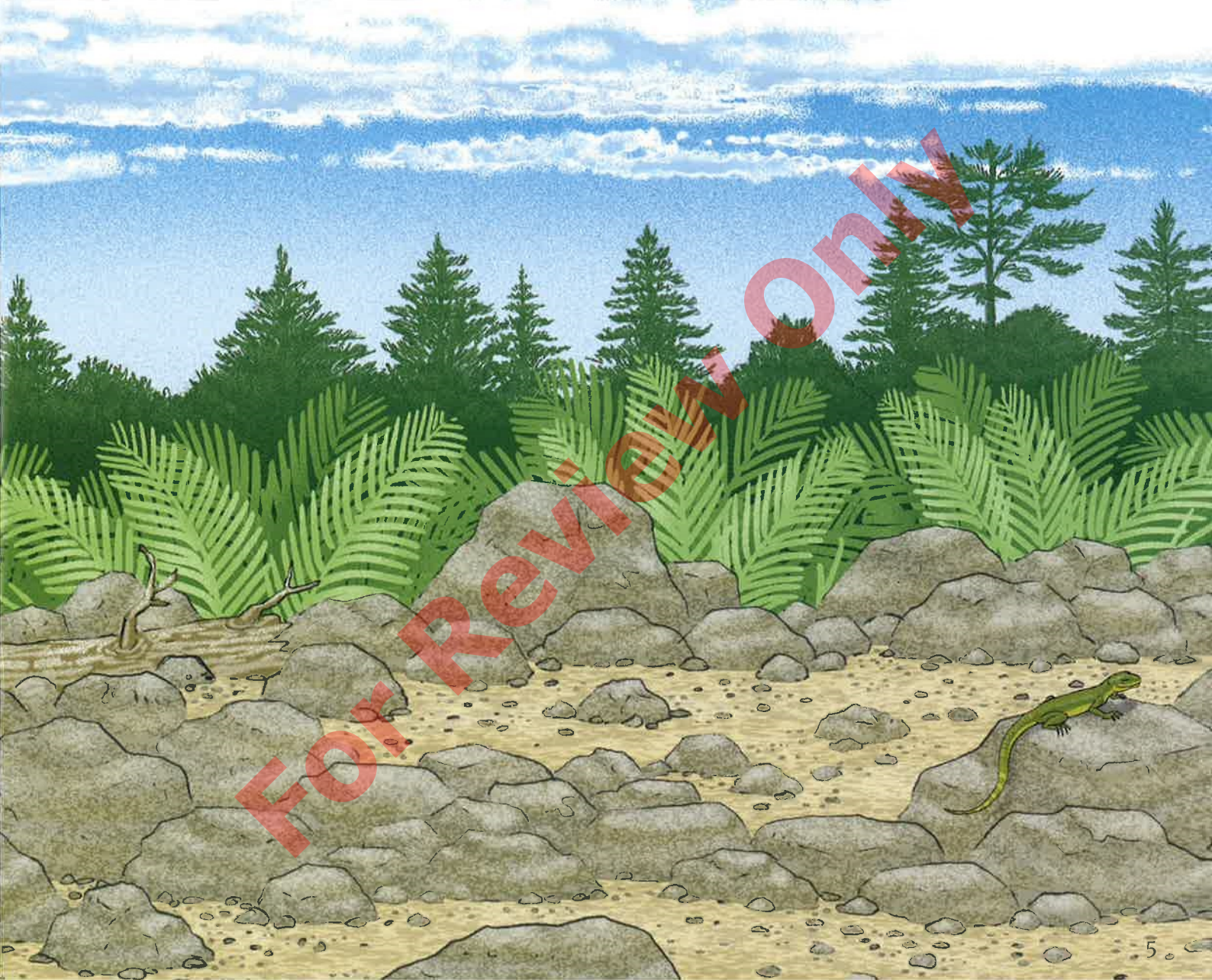
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He went down to the dry river bed.
Sometimes, lizards sat there
on the warm stones, in the sun.

Little Dinosaur looked around
to see what he could find.



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A small lizard was sitting on a stone.
Little Dinosaur sprang on it and ate it,
but he was still hungry.



Big thunder clouds began to roll across the sky
as Little Dinosaur looked around
for something else to eat.
He saw another lizard sitting on a black log.
What luck!

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Little Dinosaur sprang . . . but just then,
a flash of lightning lit up the sky.

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