



Bone-y Macaroni

Which bones go where? Pretend to be a paleontologist who just got back from a dig—except instead of fossilized bones, you have pasta! Assemble the “bones” you discovered into a *T. rex* skeleton.

Materials

T. rex skeleton print-out (page 2)

Variety of dry pasta shapes

White glue

Directions

1. **Print** out the *T. rex* skeleton on page 2 and put it onto a table in front of you.
2. **Collect** a variety of different dried pasta shapes and set them aside.
3. **Reassemble** the *T. rex* skeleton by placing the pasta “bones” onto the drawing.
4. **Glue** the pasta bones in place. To do this, lift each piece of pasta up, trace the shape of the bone with a thin line of glue, and lay the pasta on top of the glue.
 - It can take paleontologists a long time to assemble fossil bones into a skeleton. Remember that scientists take breaks when they need to, and ask friends for help!
5. **Dry** flat for at least 30 minutes.

