



Hatching *Maiasaura*

Dinosaurs, like other reptiles, laid eggs. After a period of *incubation* (keeping the eggs safe and warm), a baby dinosaur would hatch. Some dinosaurs like the *Maiasaura* looked after her eggs until they hatched—and even cared for the babies afterwards. Practice your mama *Maiasaura* moves by crafting your own hatching baby *Maiasaura* with a removable shell.

Materials:

Baby *Maiasaura* cut-out sheet Brass fasteners (brads) Crayons Paper Glue

Directions:

Scissors

- 1. **Color** in your baby *Maiasaura*, and **cut** it out.
- 2. **Color** in the egg template. Recent research suggests that some dinosaur eggs were colorful and speckled, just like some bird eggs, so be creative with your colors.
- 3. **Cut** out the egg and **cut** along the jagged middle line.
- 4. **Glue** down the baby *Maiasaura* on a piece of paper, then **glue** the *bottom* of your egg on top of the *Maiasaura*, leaving the dinosaur's head and arms visible.
- 5. Attach a brass fastener to the edge of the top half of the eggshell, and then through the paper so it connects with the bottom half of the egg (see example picture).







