



# Dinosaurs in your pocket

## Introduction

*A good way of introducing this Story Inspiration is to pass a round an egg. It should be a hard boiled egg but you can pretend that it is a raw egg and warn the children to be very, very careful. If you like, it could be boiled in food colouring to make it green or red or blue.  
Some tiny dinosaurs (or other animals) would be useful as well.*

Who likes eggs to eat?

Do you like them boiled or scrambled or fried? Do you like them with bacon or with chips?

The eggs we eat for breakfast or supper are hen or duck eggs but there are lots of other kinds of eggs.

Fish lay eggs

Turtles lay eggs

Snakes lay eggs

Crocodiles lay eggs.

I don't think I would want to collect crocodile eggs for breakfast!

"Bring me a crocodile egg and make it snappy!"

Once upon a time, long, long ago, there were dinosaur eggs as well. We know this is true because dinosaur eggs, really truly ones, have been found although they are so old that they have turned to stone. They are fossilised.

Of course that is what the scientists believe. What if you found a dinosaur egg?

What if you found a real dinosaur egg ..... just a little one?

Then what if it began to hatch?

What might happen?

You might come to school one day with a tiny dinosaur in your pocket.

Now that **WOULD** be fun!

*If you have a coloured hen's egg you could pretend to drop it at this point. The children might expect it to break, especially if you have implied that it is raw by warning them to be careful earlier.*



# **Dinosaurs in your pocket**

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# Dinosaurs in your pocket



I have come out of an egg.  
My egg stayed safe for a very long time. And now I have finally hatched. I won't grow really big like dinosaurs once did.  
I think it will be fun to explore your world with you.

## Story ideas

It would be fun if you had your own miniature dinosaur as a pet.

- Where did you find the egg?
- What were you doing?
- What did the egg look like?
- What did it feel like to touch?
- Did you tell any one about it?
- How did you find out that it might hatch?
- What happened when it hatched?

Now you have a very special pet

- What did it look like?
- How big was it?
- What did it feel like on your hand/
- How did you feed it?
- Where did you keep it
- Did you show any one?
- Did you give your pet a name?
- How to you "talk" to it/
- Can it understand you?

Now you can have adventures with your special dinosaur

- What might happen?
- It might escape!
- It might grow!
- It might even take you back to the time of the dinosaurs

Enjoy your adventures Authors!



## Some more story ideas

I think the idea of a miniature animal pet is great fun.  
Your mam might not let you have a lion or an elephant as a pet but she might not mind if it was so small you could keep it in your pocket.

What if you had:

- A tiny gorilla no bigger than an egg cup?
- A lion the size of a mouse
- An elephant smaller than a kitten
- A giraffe as tall as a pencil
- A tiger that could fit in your pencil case

