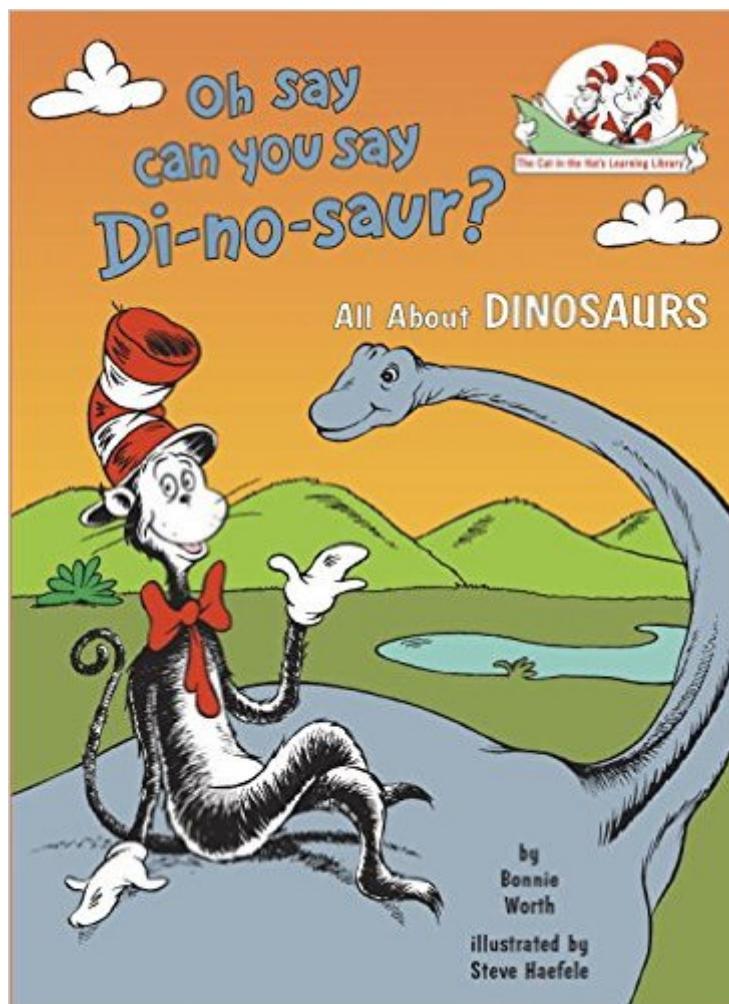


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# Oh Say Can You Say Di-no-saur? (Cat In The Hat's Learning Library)



## **Synopsis**

The Cat in the Hat makes another surprise appearance at Dick and Sally's house--only this time he makes his entrance riding atop a brachiosaurus! Soon, he's off, along with Dick and Sally, millions of years back in time to see how fossils were created. Then it's on to a tour through the Cat's own Super Dino Museum--a fabulous place where the correct pronunciation of a dinosaur's name wins you a peek at the real living thing! Beginning readers will love exploring the prehistoric world of dinosaurs with the Cat in the Hat as their guide!

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

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## **Customer Reviews**

I bought this book for my three year old and was delighted to find that it is a book that will also grow with my son. He loves the ryhmes and the illustrations. The book holds his attention while also teaching him.

Let's put it this way, my 4 year old can now accurately pronounce the names of the dinosaurs and knows a fair amount about them. This book is wonderful. If your child is into dinosaurs this is the one book that you should get. It even gives a list of other dinosaur books that you can turn to for

further reference. I'd have given it 6 stars or more.

My five year old is fascinated by all things dinosaur and this book was no exception. I, personally, didn't find it to be as fun, pun-filled or rhyme laced as what you would find from a true Dr. Seuss book and that's to be expected. Though the book features the Cat in the Hat, it's not written by our Dear Dr. Seuss, but Bonnie Worth. I don't write this with any intent to slight Ms. Worth, but Dr. Seuss she is not. I can honestly say that reading this book as a bed time story didn't bring me the joy that reading true blue Dr. Seuss does. Some of the words are a little more advanced than what I would expect to see from something in a learning library and some of the dinosaurs chosen were difficult even for me to pronounce. Granted, that made it a little fun as I learned about a couple dinosaurs that I didn't know about at the same time as my little one. The book was well illustrated. Overall, not a terrible purchase.

My child and I love all the books in this series. They are educational and entertaining. I feel good reading him these books because, you feel like you are teaching your child valuable information that might make their schooling a little easier. He enjoys it because, the absolutely amazing illustrations make it enjoyable to view and the playful wording and scenarios make the book engaging. I'm so glad that someone designed this series. Doing workbooks throughout the summer is pretty tedious after a while; regardless of the quality of the book and when one has newborn twins at home, multiple outings throughout the week are just not practical. So this series of books is a great way to entertain and inform my 4 year old of the world around him without needing to leave the house every day.

This is going to be mostly a review of the whole series, with a few remarks about this particular book. "The Cat in the Hat makes science fun and interesting!"--that's the thinking behind the whole "Cat in the Hat's Learning Library," I guess. It sounded great to me when I first came across these books. And yet it doesn't quite work. The books are maybe worth getting, but they aren't very good. There are two big (related) problems with all of these books. Maybe the biggest is that the writing is not very good. They lamely ape the Dr. Seuss style, but they never come with even the same ballpark in terms of the creativity of the language. It seems as if the writers are scientists who had never written a poem before--a lot of the rhymes are painfully bad. The second problem is that the spirit of Dr. Seuss generally and the Cat in the Hat particularly are missing from these books. It's as if Dr. Seuss books were written by committee--that's just so wrong! I cringe at the beginnings of

these books where the Cat declares he's going to take the kids on what turns out to be a perfectly vanilla tour of some domain of knowledge, and that "your mother will not mind at all if you do." Thing 1 and Thing 2 are altogether too well-behaved. Look, if you didn't like creative, adventurous, naughty spirit of The Cat in the Hat, people, you should have chosen some other character to use to teach stuff. Some might complain that the adventurous Cat is pressed into wholly didactic service. That doesn't bother me. I and my boy like to learn and to be taught, especially in an entertaining or interesting way (we much preferred the Magic School Bus book about dinosaurs--which, by the way, was a lot more informative). In fact, that's why these books earn three stars instead of something less. They do succeed in teaching a fair bit.

We are a big Dr. Seuss household and have nearly every book. This book is one of our favorites! I purchased this for my three-year-old who loves dinosaurs. This book is a lot of fun, colorful, and very educational. The best part of this book is it will grow with my son. As his reading and pronunciation skills increase, he'll continue to learn more from this book. The phonetic spelling of the dinosaurs is a plus and we enjoy learning details and facts about the dinosaurs themselves! The artwork is colorful and bright and he finds the dinosaurs captivating. This book holds his attention and he's learning so much!

Perfect for my 4 year old daughter who LOVES dinosaurs. Truth be told, we have other cat in the hat books (passed down to us) which she doesn't prefer. Maybe she is too young to really get the rhyming? But she adores this one. The love of the subject matter makes all the difference. The authors were very clever and EDUCATIONAL! I highly recommend this for any of your chicken nuggets that like dino's. ;-)

These short science books are great for small developing minds. My 2.5YO loves this series, there are great illustrations, a lot of facts and the expected Seussian rhymes. For parents who worry about pronunciation, the dinosaurs names are broken down for you too. We go back to these time and time again, and anything that encourages learning has to be a good thing

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