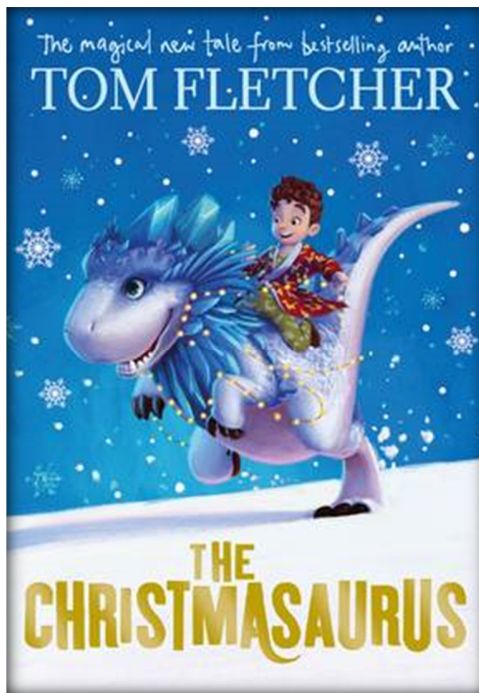




LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of **The Christmasaurus** by Tom Fletcher

Below are the complete reviews, written by the LoveReading4kids members.



Toby Little, age 8

I love this book! It is Christmassy, amazing and crumpety, all at once!

It is none other than the Christmasaurus! It is by Tom Fletcher, and the illustrations are by Shane Devries. There was once a boy called William Trundell, and he had quite a sad life. When he was very little, he had an accident, which meant his legs didn't work. Secondly, he does not have a Mum, and thirdly and lastly, Brenda Payne, the meanest girl in school, makes his life a misery. But then, one Christmas, he asks Santa for a real dinosaur. And what happens then, you'll have to read for yourself!

*I really liked how this book is written, **it's a bit silly, and a lot funny, and there are poems and rhymes in each chapter that I loved reading out loud.** I also love this book because the moral of the story is that no matter who you are, you can still do amazing things, just like William Trundle.*

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Rob Anderson, age 6

Dinosawesome! I really liked it.

This is about a boy called William Trundle and a dinosaur, the Christmasaurus. I liked the part where Santa warmed up the egg with his bottom. I would like to go the London museum and see the big diplodocus. My favourite part was when the Christmasaurus swallowed the Hunter and then gave a big burp. I liked this

book.

Elleanore Phillips, age 8 ½

This story is about a boy called William Trundle, a new school bully called Brenda Payne, Santa Claus, a hunter called Huxley Trundle known as the Hunter, and a team of eight elves who dig up the other main character, an egg.

William has been unfortunate in his life because in an accident he lost his mum and gained a wheelchair. He is no ordinary boy. He has an extraordinary interest in dinosaurs and everything about them. He only has one wish for Christmas, a real dinosaur. When the elves dug up an egg they never thought it would turn out to be a dinosaur. They name him the Christmasaurus because the egg was found near the North Pole close to Christmas time.

Will the Christmasaurus end up on The Hunter's wall of trophies? Will Brenda stop bullying William and realise that sharing her problems might help her find a way to solve them? Will Santa Claus take Brenda off the Naughty List and put her on the Nice List?

This story is about friendship, sharing and solving problems. The illustrations are fabulous and always in the right place in the book. I loved this book and it was almost impossible for me to put it down once I had started reading it. This is an excellent book to get everybody into the Christmas spirit now, and then it can be read again at Christmas sitting next to the fireplace with a cup of hot chocolate.

Alexander Bisland & Daniel Bisland, age 11 & 9

This book is about a boy called William and his dad, Bob Trundle and a very special Christmas dinosaur.

William LOVES dinosaurs – he has dinosaur pyjamas, dinosaur socks, a dinosaur toothbrush, dinosaur wallpaper, two dinosaur posters, a dinosaur lampshade and lots and lots of dinosaur toys. However, all William wants for Christmas is a REAL dinosaur, even though he knows that it is impossible!

Meanwhile in the North Pole, something magical is happening... Whilst the elves are mining, they come across a strangely large egg, so they take it to Santa. Santa doesn't know what it is until Christmas Eve when it hatches! Santa calls it the Christmasaurus; the Christmasaurus is the last ever living dinosaur.

Willipoos', (the name William's dad calls him) life is brilliant UNTIL a new girl

comes to school. Her name is Brenda Payne. We call her Brenda “Payne by name and pain by nature”. Brenda ruins William’s life until... William meets the Christmasaurus. How does the Christmasaurus get into William’s house? What’s Brenda’s next evil plan? You’ll have to read the book to find out.

We give 5* and recommend it to 9+ or younger if reading it with a parent as it’s quite a long book. We also think **it’s a good book to share in a classroom because it talks about friendship and you can also use it for Christmas themed activities.** REMEMBER “Every step you take away from last Christmas brings you one step closer to the next!”