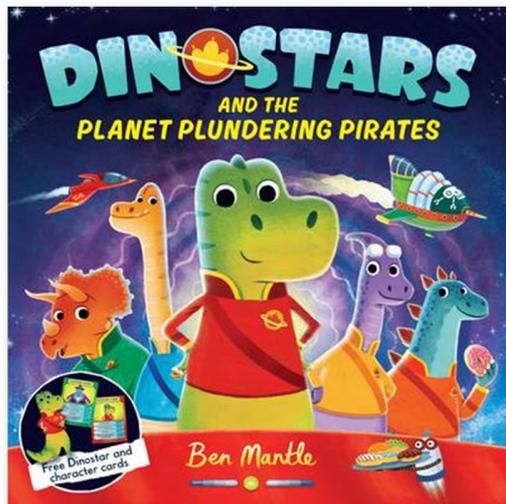


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LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of **Dinostars and the Planet Plundering Pirates** by Ben Mantle



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



Amatullah Khatun, age 6

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This is the first book in a fantastic series about a team of dinosaurs in outer space. In the first book 'Dinostars and the Planet Plundering Pirates' Captain T-Rex and his team discover that planets are disappearing. Soon they discover who is behind the mystery. Amatullah enjoyed this story and especially liked the pop-up character

and cards at the back of the book. The illustrations are bright and eye catching. Amatullah is sometimes scared of dinosaurs when they are illustrated realistically but not the characters in this book.

Ellen Hall, age 6

I like the story because the dinosaurs are adventurers. Their names were made up from what sort of dinosaur they were, e.g. Captain TRex. The book was very colourful and had character cards. Fab!

What happening in the story is there is a team that call themselves Dinostars and they live in space. Planets keep disappearing. One time when the sun is about to vanish, they see a ship and they see space pirates. They follow the space pirate to a hole and they find a new planet system. This where all the missing

planets have gone! I like the story because the dinosaurs are adventurers. The book was very colourful and the pictures were very very good!

Sophie Mitchell, age 6

My little girl liked the story. It had colourful pictures so she could add detail to the story words. The five good characters beat the three bad pirates. Yay!

The words are hard for a 6 year old to read however it is a good story for their age group. The pictures were detailed enough for them to partake and build the story up without the words. The bright, bold colours are brilliant. My daughter loved the fact the bad pirates looked bad and the five good Dinostars had names similar to the type of dinosaur they actually are. She asked a lot of questions about B.U.G. Didn't understand how he got in to the story. She isn't happy that there's only two character cards as well. Where's the rest of the team?? The factual element of the book was great. She understands the word 'wormholes' now and regurgitated its meaning to her dad later on in the day.

Farrah, age 6

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The story is about space dinosaurs that find out that pirates are stealing planets. They have to find a way to stop them.

I love this book. My favourite bit in Dinostars is when Steg says "I don't know about you, but I am ravenous!"

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Sam Briggs, age 6

I really enjoyed reading this book with my mum. It was funny and exciting and I liked the way it kept me interested. It is quite a long book but not too long. My favourite part was when the doughnut helped save the day! I learnt about space, which I liked, and I also liked that you get to keep a pop-up dinosaur and cards. I would love to read the next one.

Huxley Glen, age 5

A colourful funny book about Dinostars. I couldn't stop laughing all the way through as they got up to some funny adventures. An easy to read book. I loved the colourful pictures.

The illustrations were very colourful and really helped to bring the story to life. The added additional space facts and pop up Dinostar was a great bonus and made it more interesting. We hope there will be more books featuring the Dinostars.

George Davies, age 7

I like it because I like dinosaurs! It was fun to read and I liked it when they went to another universe. I especially liked the standup dinosaur. I rate this book 11 out of 10!!

I really liked this story with the dinosaur characters. I especially liked the ending using the gun to make the doughnut big enough to keep the wormhole open and then them flying through the hole in the middle.

I thought the story was funny and classic kid comedy. I liked how the words swirled around when the ship went out of control.

This is a really good book, everyone will like it!!!!!!!!!!!!

Robert Anderson, age 6

Excellent picture book for dinosaur obsessed 4 - 5 year olds.

'Dinostars and the Planet Plundering Pirates' is a bright, colourful picture book about another galaxy where dinosaurs are still very much alive. The Dinostar astronauts have a mission: to stop the space pirates from stealing all the planets from the Dinostar galaxy. Captain T-Rex has a plan that bizarrely involves a doughnut.

My son is completely obsessed with dinosaurs and natural history. This book is probably a little young for him, perhaps more appropriate for 4 -5 year olds. However, he enjoyed reading the story. The language is quite simple, so he was able to read most of it himself and I have seen him picking it up again after the initial read. He was quite taken with the idea of wormholes and appreciated the space facts at the end of the book.

Sam, age 5 and mum, Emma Radford

Thank you so much for this book!

We all loved it - pirates and dinosaurs, what a great mix!! There was a great balance of humour, excitement and information. Even mummy learned about worm holes!

The cards stuck in the back of the book are a great extra, and both my boys enjoyed reading and swapping them together.

We loved the part where Dippy's neck grows longer and longer - it caused some giggles here. And, we definitely thought a ginormous doughnut was a great idea!

A really fun and engaging picture book that both my just 4yo and 5yo would recommend to others.

Thanks again!

Tracey Chorley

Both my daughters (aged 4 and 7) thoroughly enjoyed this book. It was a fun and engaging story with fabulous illustrations. They are hoping there are more Dinostar books to come in the future.

Olivia Townsend, age 4

Combining children's much loved themes, Space and Dinosaurs, this is an exciting adventure in Space. Planets have been transported into an unknown galaxy and the dinosaurs need to get them back!!

My daughter enjoyed reading this together. She recognised the names for the characters being linked to their dinosaur names.

There was also lots of space vocabulary which prompted discussion about space, including the mind-blowing concept of Worm-holes!!

The illustrations are bright and colourful and the book is quite 'comic book' in parts.

'I like the puppet because I can make my own stories with him'- the free finger puppet and fact cards were a particular hit and prompted some imaginative play and storytelling.

We'd recommend this book to others, especially those who enjoy fun, adventure stories.

Baring Primary School

Inaya Pers, age 7

*Captain T-Rex and his team get all their planets back from Captain Clops and his ugly looking crew. They go through a wormhole to get their planets back. My favourite character is B.U.G. because he or she brings the food to the Dinostars. **The pictures are bright and colourful, clear and smooth and they are like a cartoon. I enjoyed this book, especially the bad guys!***

Maya Bacha, age 7

*First Captain Clops stole all the planets and then Steg made a machine and Dippy's neck got longer. They got the planets back and went through a wormhole. They knew the space pirates were really evil and rude. My favourite character is Captain T-Rex because he is interesting. **I think the pictures are colourful and nice, pretty, beautiful and clear. I liked this book because it is colourful.***

Mikail Saglam, age 7

If you get stuck in a wormhole you will be stuck forever. Rolo is my favourite character because I love scientists. I loved everything about this book.