**THE PREHISTORIC GAMES by Janet Lawler**

**Fun GAME STATIONS that can be set up at home with adult supervision:**

**Bronto Bean Bag Toss**

Advance prep/materials:

Using large, sturdy foam board, create a dinosaur face with a cut-out for gaping mouth for throwing bean bags through. Sets up easily along a wall; use small bean bags.

Place starting line tape a few feet out from set-up (so most children can succeed in throwing).

Easy home version: use a large pot with a dino picture taped on it. Roll clean socks up from toe and turn top of the sock inside out over the rolled-up sock to create soft “bean bags” to throw.

**Prehistoric Artists**

Advance prep/materials:

Set up table(s) with crayons, markers, and various coloring sheets (search free dino downloads online) or printo off free coloring sheet from ***THE PREHISTORIC GAMES*** (download from author’s website:<https://janetlawler.com/book/the-prehistoric-games-picture-book/> Optional additional dinosaur art activities can be offered such as blank sheets for creating dino scenes with stickers, stamps, crayon rubbings of textured papers/fossils, etc.

**Jurassic Long Jump**

Advance prep/materials:

Use tape to create a starting line and distance markers. On distance markers, write in large letters, YES!, FAR, WOW!, AWESOME, INCREDIBLE or other superlatives. Note: Have children start their jump with feet together at starting line (no running starts).

**Excavation Station**

Advance prep/materials:

Play this game in a sandbox, or fill sensory table or shallow, heavy-duty storage bin with ½ bag sterile sandbox sand. Bury plastic or other dino “fossils” (no need to be too accurate; fine to include small plastic dino toys). Provide small, hand-held sifters (tea leaf holders work well) for children to uncover items. Everyone wash hands after.

**Stogosaurus Stomp**

Advance prep/materials:

Create music “corner” set-up with CD or wi-fi access to dinosaur songs, where children can visit and stomp and dance to music. (A good song is *We Are the Dinosaurs* by Laurie Berner Band:

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