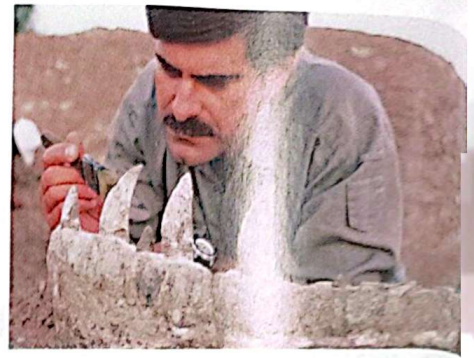


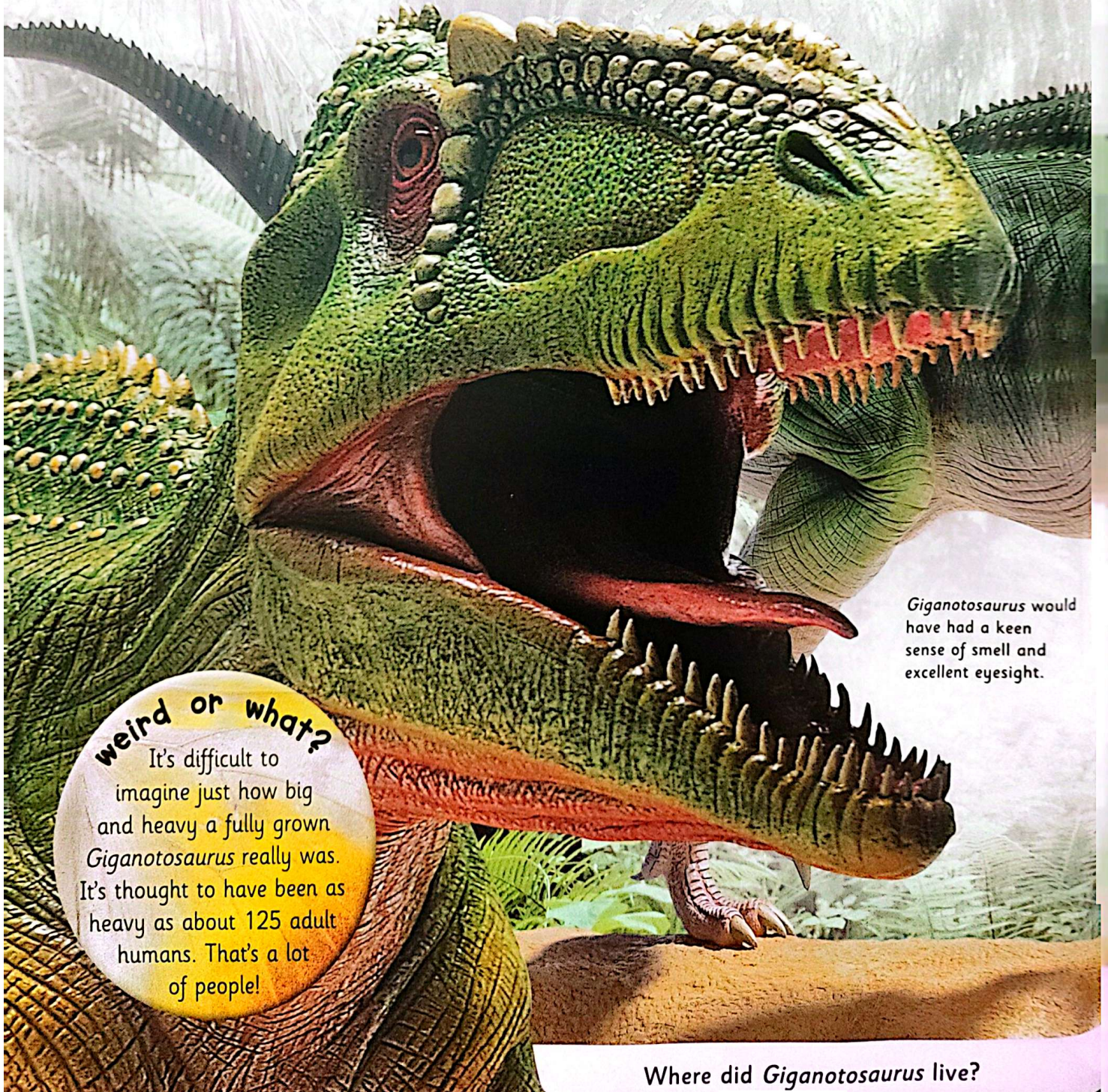
Big and bold

Giganotosaurus means “giant southern reptile”, and this dinosaur was big. In fact, it may have been larger than *T. rex*. However, the two never met as *Giganotosaurus* was roaming some 10 million years before *T. rex*!



It's a new find!

Giganotosaurus bones were first unearthed in Argentina in the early 1990s, but no complete skeleton has ever been found.



Giganotosaurus would have had a keen sense of smell and excellent eyesight.

weird or what?

It's difficult to imagine just how big and heavy a fully grown *Giganotosaurus* really was. It's thought to have been as heavy as about 125 adult humans. That's a lot of people!

Where did *Giganotosaurus* live?

Let's get it!

A huge sauropod, *Argentinosaurus*, lived alongside *Giganotosaurus*. It's thought this monster may have reached 43 m (140 ft) in length. So one *Giganotosaurus*, which was 13.5 m (45 ft) long, couldn't have brought it down, but these predators may have hunted in packs.

Argentinosaurus

Turn and learn

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T. rex:
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Awesome arms

Giganotosaurus had larger and more powerful forearms than *T. rex*, and they were three-fingered. The fingers would have been used to grasp prey and food.

That's some tooth!

Giganotosaurus had large, serrated teeth that helped in stabbing and gripping prey, and slashing through the meat. The largest teeth were about 20 cm (8 in) in length.

In the warm swamps of Cretaceous Argentina.