The name Tyrannosaurus means “tyrant lizard” due to this dinosaur’s fearsome reputation as a predator. The species Tyrannosaurus rex or T. rex lived during the late Cretaceous (70 million years ago) and is one of the most well-known dinosaurs of all time.

At 40 feet long and 20 feet tall, the T. rex was one of the biggest carnivores that ever lived. It had a muscular body, with a massive tail to balance its huge head. Its powerful jaw with large saw-like teeth could crush the bones of its prey. It walked on two powerful hind legs but had very short arms. It also had a large brain for a dinosaur, which made it a better hunter.