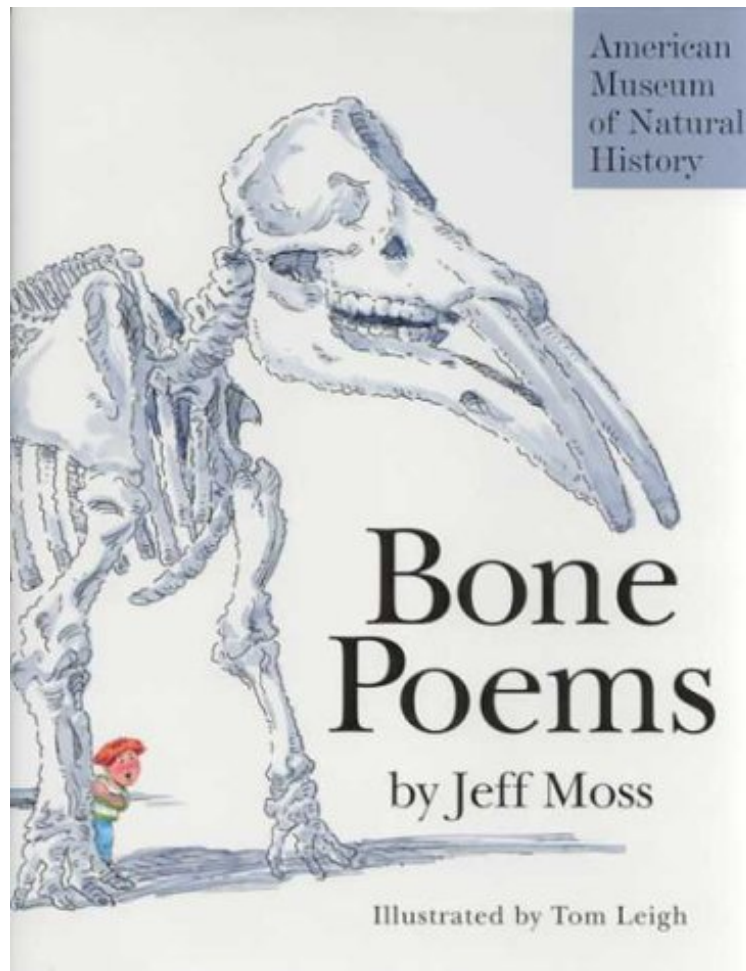


Bone Poems

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Jeff Moss : Bone Poems before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Bone Poems:

0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Dino lovers of all ages By Lisa Great book for all ages - the independent reader or those who like to be read to. Both boys and girls will love, especially those into Dinos. 5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. "The Knee Bone is Connected to the Leg Bone." By tvtv3 BONE POEMS is a collection of poems written by Jeff Moss which were inspired by and researched at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City. These poems are both fun to read and educational. Many of them are also highly humorous. For example, "Ostracoderms" "Ostracoderms" Ostracoderms were ancient fish Who had no jaws to chew. With open mouths their food was slurped As water filtered through. Perhaps that's why ostracoderms Kept such a pleasant mood-- They never had to hear their moms Say, "Henry, chew your food!" Besides the poems, the book also includes a mini-comic book telling two sides of a story involving a rhinoceros and an elephant. The end of the book includes a

pronunciation guide illustrating how to pronounce all the different animals and many other difficult words found throughout the book. A wonderful gift for any child who likes dinosaurs, bones, or poetry. 4 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Educational AND fun!!
By J. L. Greeley
This book of poetry is not only true poetry, with rhythm and meter perfectly attended to, it is a great educational text. The author researched his work at the American Museum of Natural History. Although the poems are sometimes silly, they are always accurate and true to our current knowledge of the dinosaurs. There is a pronunciation guide to all dinosaur names in the back, so you will be reading the words correctly and not be stumbling through the poetry. The meter is true and well done, unlike many so-called "children's" poems where the author discards any effort to count syllables, making reading aloud awkward. I was so impressed by this book and my daughter loved it. I had rented it from the library on a lark after hearing about Jeff Moss and what a great children's poet he is and of his work on the beginnings of Sesame Street.

Jeff Moss is the children's poet laureate (New York Newsday), a Sesame Street co-creator, and the inspired author of *The Butterfly Jar*. Now he presents a brand-new collection of prehistoric whimsy and rhyme. *Bone Poems* is a joyous collection for every kid who loves dinosaurs, plays on words, and the delightful incongruities of science and nature. There's *Gotta Find a Footprint*, *A (Mostly) Dinosaur Alphabet*, and *I'm Going to Ask a Stegosaur to Dinner*. There's a dinosaur math quiz, free verse about a basketball-size dinosaur egg, one of the world's shortest poems with one of the world's longest titles. And, showing the kind of imagination that is completely in touch with kids, a poem about how scientists measure the intelligence of early primates by filling the skull with uncooked rice. Yucch! Illustrated by Tom Leigh
42,000 copies in print.

From School Library Journal
Grade 3-5. Moss may have written the popular Sesame Street anthem "Rubber Duckie," but he proves in this volume that he knows lots about dinosaurs. He makes learning about them such fun that kids everywhere will be begging to be taken to the nearest museum to "find a footprint, a bone, or a tooth/To grab yourself a piece of dinosaur truth." Interspersed with clever, rhyming poems are a dinosaur math quiz and one of the world's shortest poems (three words) with one of the longest titles (20 words). There are echoes of Jack Prelutsky here, in the pacing, rhyme schemes, and sheer humor, but there's also much scientific substance in the midst of the hilarity. Facts, phrases, and frivolity combine to form a fascinating, fun look into our prehistoric past. One of the best entries is a poem about how scientists measure the brain size of early primates?by filling their skulls with uncooked rice. Leigh's playful illustrations make even the scariest dinosaur a little less scary?and all the more endearing. Even the cranky ankylosaurus, with his scaly back, is softened through the cartoon line drawings that provide much expression in just a few strokes. As a science and nature lesson or just a poetic romp, *Bone Poems* is the Tyrannosaurus rex of prehistoric poetry.
Sharon Korbeck, Waupaca Area Public Library, WI
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From the Back Cover
DINOSAURS GALORE, FROM "THE CHILDREN'S POET LAUREATE."
A collection of prehistoric whimsy and rhyme, *BONE POEMS* by Jeff Moss, Sesame Street co-creator and best-selling author, is for everyone who wants to know the funny bone side of dinosaurs, woolly mammoths, and other remarkable creatures from long ago.