

EXERCISE

GRADE 3 BENCHMARK

SUBJECT: Science

The dinosaur was very big. It was longer than a trailer truck. It was heavier than ten elephants put together. It was so heavy that every step it took must have sounded like thunder. Because of this, scientists named it Brontosaurus, which means “thunder lizard.” Today this dinosaur has a new name. It is called Apatosaurus.

Cole, Joanna. Dinosaur Story. Scholastic Inc.

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Aardvark is an African mammal that lives in the ground and eats ants and termites. During the 1600's Dutch settlers in Africa gave the aardvark its name, which means *earth pig*. It has a long snout, but it is not like a pig in any other way.

"Aardvark." The World Book Encyclopedia. World Book Inc. 1988.

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