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Dinosaur is going to one of his favorite places: the library! On the way, he invites his friends--a lonesome turtle, a sad owl and more-- to roar along with him. But how will his roaring go over at the library? Has Dinosaur finally met his match in Storytime? By combining everyone's favorite feisty red dinosaur with a variety of animals and a celebration of reading, author-illustrator-designer Bob Shea has created another irresistible romp for toddlers and parents to enjoy together.

## **Dinosaur vs. the Library Details**

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## From Reader Review Dinosaur vs. the Library for online ebook

### Emilia P says

Errol read this to me. Errol is amazing and an amazing book reader. Ooh ah. This book is also pretty nice and great. Especially the illustrations and the very very bold color choices. The narrative is fairly absurd throughout and devolves into nonsense in the best way ever at the end. A great book for weirdo parents and weirdo kids and weirdos period. Read: Us. And Sharka.

P.S. Errol's special note: Dinosaurs Rule.

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### Jessica says

Appeal Characteristics: THE LIBRARIAN ALWAYS WIN! Child Behaviors, Story Time etiquette, Great animal concept

If you have a noisy kid in storytime, or have a parent asking about story-time etiquette...this is the book! I loved the fact he was louder than all the other "animals" (kids) on his way to the library...but at the library... :) Well I'll leave that up to you to find out!

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### Laurie says

Horn Book Guide Spring 2012

"Roar! Roar! Roar!" cries the cheeky red dinosaur making his way to the library. Told to use his "inside roar," the easily excitable dino manages a dull roar. However, he soon meets his ultimate challenge--storytime--leading to the question: "Can Dinosaur not roar for a whole story?" Bold, expressive black lines and pops of color display the endearing dino's dilemma.

Kirkus Reviews August 1, 2011

Shea's irrepressible hero returns--stubby, red and toothier than ever. Dinosaur has faced tremendous obstacles in his first few years of growing up (Dinosaur vs. Bedtime, 2008; Dinosaur vs. the Potty, 2010). So far only two things have ever proven to be worthy opponents. Until now. On his way to one of his most favorite places--the library--Dinosaur meets new animal friends. He convinces each one, from a flock of tiny chicks to a shy turtle and a hopelessly sobbing owl, to loudly ROAR along with him. Dinosaur wins every time! (He is no bully though; his opponents are clearly enjoying this roaring game.) But upon reaching the library, Dinosaur is met with an excruciating task. He must be quiet ... for an entire story. Hands clamped tightly over his mouth and eyes popping with exertion, Dinosaur worries. Can he do it? The power of a story wins! Observant readers will spot familiar characters amid Shea's bold, expressive scrawls, and everyone will cheer the library's success. Story time may have conquered Dinosaur, but with boisterous noise and boundless energy, Shea's Dinosaur titles will never fail to be read-aloud hits. Dinosaur wins again! (Just deny it if he ever asks.) (Picture book. 3-5)

School Library Journal August 1, 2011

PreS-Gr 2-This third adventure of the roaring red reptile finds the scrappy contender setting out to roar his

way to the library. Along the way, Dinosaur makes stealthy advances on a variety of unwary animals and succeeds in recruiting them as roarers, too. However, when he arrives at the library, he is told, "Use your inside roar!" Will Dinosaur be able to restrain himself during storytime? This episode is a bit disjointed compared to the previous ones, and it lacks the appeal of Dinosaur's triumphs over the more-routine childhood nemeses, like bedtime, bath time, and the potty. However children will still enjoy the spunky hero. Young readers will be captivated by the visual feast of bold, black strokes set off by bright primary colors and text that practically jumps off the page. The repetitive roaring makes this book well-suited as an interactive read-aloud.-Debbie Lewis, Alachua County Library District, FL (c) Copyright 2011. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

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### **Dolly says**

We've read both Dinosaur vs. Bedtime and Dinosaur vs. the Potty and while our girls are getting a little too big for these books, they still find them to be quite humorous. The loud roaring and the all-too apt description of toddler/preschooler behavior is fun. And since the dinosaur is the one with the focus on him, children won't feel like the spotlight is on their own behavior.

We saw the author, Bob Shea, at the 2011 National Book Festival at the National Mall in Washington DC on 25 September, and we just had to put this book on hold. It was an entertaining story and we enjoyed roaring together as we read it aloud. And it's about a visit to the library, always a plus for me!

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### **Shannon says**

Happy National Picture Book Month! Perfect to kick off the month with.

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### **Miss Pippi the Librarian says**

Dinosaur takes a walk to the library and meets friends along the way. He wins with his animal friends and everyone starts roaring. At the library, the roars need to quiet and can a dinosaur roar during a story?

It's fun to roar along with Dinosaur. We practice all types of roars - loud, soft, small, etc. It is also important to count and roar so it's not just a dino zoo. The end of the book show which book they listened to at the library - New Socks by Bob Shea. (Another fun story to share at storytime.)

2013 Storytime Theme: Dinosaurs  
2016 Storytime Theme: Bob Shea

Reviewed from a library copy.

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## **Kaethe says**

January 9, 2013

I am charmed by the small growly dino. He is up against a worthy opponent.

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July 11, 2014

My favorite of the series, because library.

Library copy.

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## **Heather says**

This is the best book in the series yet. When dinosaur visits the library will he remember to use his "inside roar"? The illustration of Dinosaur trying to stay quiet during storytime is priceless! You'll have to read it to see whether Dinosaur or the Library wins, but one thing's for certain... the reader is definitely wins by checking out this excellent picture book.

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## **Jessica says**

The ending of Dinosaur vs. the Library was a bit of a letdown, and you could tell by the reactions of the storytime kids, but overall, it was the most successful book of the books/libraries themed storytime. It mainly consists of roaring like a dinosaur, and I made sure that every time the dinosaur roared (almost everyone at storytime was over five and could read already, so they knew when the ROAR!s were coming), they made a "scary dinosaur face" and ROARed their little hearts out. Much of it consists of pairing dinosaur in a fight against various animals: baby chicks (peep peep peep), a sad owl (boo hoo hoo!), a cow (moo moo moo), and finally, as you can guess from the title, the library. Dinosaur is admonished to use his "inside roar" and finally, challenged not to roar for an entire storytime. (So I guess the library wins because Dinosaur was forced to be quiet?) It's a little cheesy, but the roaring more than makes up for it. Plus, it was fun making the kids do an "inside roar." This made an excellent lead in for storytime. It's kind of impossible to mess this one up, so long as it's read with enthusiasm.

Ages 2-6

Would work well for a library class orientation, dinosaurs, or library themed storytime.

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## **Melissa says**

Like other reviewers, I wanted more library in this library book! I did notice that all the animals he met on the way TO the library showed up as friends at storytime, so there was a slight connection between the walk to the library and the library itself. The "inside roar" is good, as is "Okay, they both win" at the end. The first

one is the best!

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### **Sara says**

I was going to go with three stars, but we turned the page and \*gasp\* there was ballet cat. My 7 yr. old and I were both so excited, that was a 5 star moment!

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### **Katy says**

Once again, I just kind of wish there was more here for storytime use. I think kids will like these, but they are a bit repetitive and fluffy for me to want to use them.

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### **Mary says**

This is a fantastic read-aloud for preschool listeners. Bright illustrations and a big roaring dinosaur make this a great participation story. Also there is a gentle reminder about storytime manners thrown in.

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### **Carly Reighard says**

As a Children's librarian, I LOVE this book!

As the dinosaur makes his way to the library, he meets many shy and quiet animals. After having a roaring contest with each of them, he's left them in quite a tizzy. And now, they're all roaring, too! But once he arrives at the library for storytime, he has to choose whether or not he will have a roaring contest with his library friends.

The illustrations in this book are phenomenal and I felt as though I could really relate to the book. Although the department is usually quiet, sometimes after storytime has been let out, you begin to wonder if each child has just a tiny bit of roaring dinosaur inside. :)

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### **Colby Sharp says**

My four year old is the reason for the 4 stars. I wasn't completely sold, but he went nuts. He read it for a solid 45 minutes in bed tonight, complete with gigantic roars.

Sometimes I feel like in order to understand a books quality you need to read it to its intended audience.

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