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The rise and fall of the dinosaurs

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We all grew up with the story of the dinosaurs, those giant terrible lizards that ruled the Earth for millions upon millions of years.

We've dug up their muddied bones that have laid dormant beneath our feet, fossilized into rock over the ages.

Now every new discovery tells us a little more about these wondrous animals.

Piecing together their bodies has allowed us to understand a little of what they looked like and how they behaved.

We have even discovered evidence of what may have ended their reign: a giant asteroid, a ball of fire that fell from the sky.

Its impact was so great that it sent a shock wave around the world, before darkening the planet for months, eventually leading to the death of all the dinosaurs.

Well that's the story we've all heard: that 65 million years ago the dinosaurs went extinct.

But there is one important caveat some of their descendants didn't, they found a way to live on.

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