

EXTINCTION THEORY

Did a massive asteroid kill off the dinosaurs?

The recent discovery of a huge crater could provide the 'smoking gun' of evidence to show that a massive asteroid struck the earth 65 million years ago killing half of all species of plants and animals

1. Dinosaurs rule the earth for 160 million years

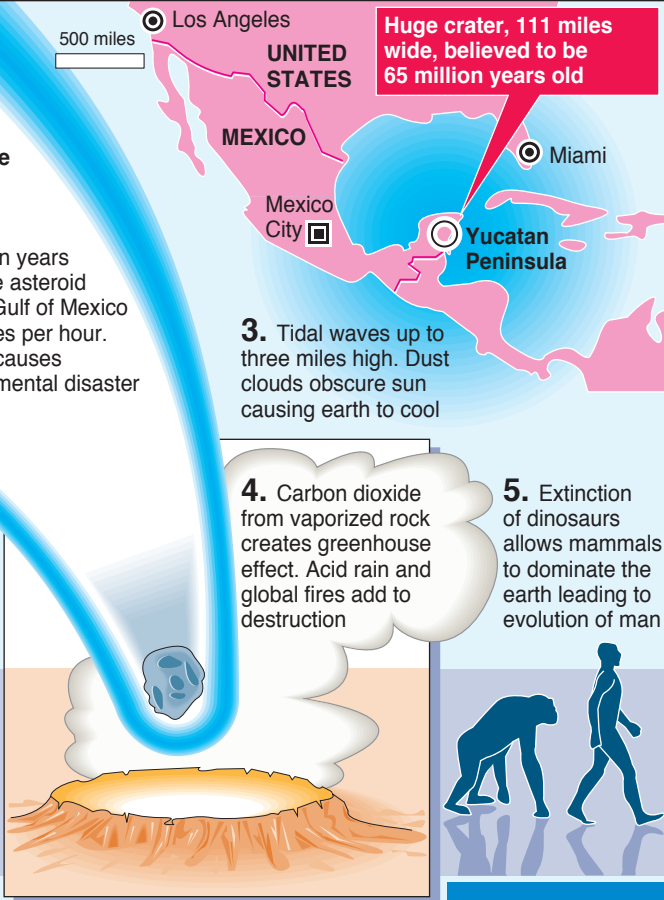
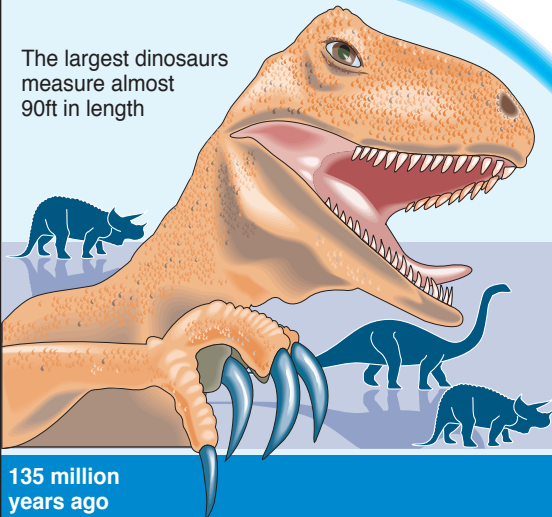
2. Sixty five million years ago a six mile wide asteroid smashes into the Gulf of Mexico at over 22,000 miles per hour. Impact causes environmental disaster

3. Tidal waves up to three miles high. Dust clouds obscure sun causing earth to cool

4. Carbon dioxide from vaporized rock creates greenhouse effect. Acid rain and global fires add to destruction

5. Extinction of dinosaurs allows mammals to dominate the earth leading to evolution of man

The largest dinosaurs measure almost 90ft in length



135 million years ago
CRETACEOUS PERIOD

65 million years ago
EXTINCTION OF DINOSAURS

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