

一副恐龙化石骨架的复制模型将于新年来到伦敦展出，这头恐龙可能是有史以来在陆地上行走的最大的动物。

Dinosaur **skeletons** are always a big **draw**, and the Natural History Museum will showcase next year the biggest of **the lot**.

恐龙骨架一直是吸引众人前来参观的一大亮点，而伦敦自然历史博物馆明年将展出最大的一副恐龙骨架模型。

Patagotitan's fossils were **unearthed** in Argentina in 2014. Their discovery was a **sensation**.

巴塔哥巨龙化石于 2014 年在阿根廷出土。这个恐龙化石的发现引起了轰动。

A photo of a researcher lying next to the very much larger **thighbone** from the animal was printed in newspapers around the world.

世界各地的报纸上纷纷刊登了一张研究人员躺在远大于自己身体的恐龙股骨旁的照片。

The **replica** skeleton in London will be accompanied by an exhibition that explains how Patagotitan and its **supersized** cousins dominated the landscape a hundred million years ago.

在伦敦展出的巴塔哥巨龙骨架复制模型将作为一场展览的展品之一现身，展览将解释一亿年前巴塔哥巨龙与其体型同样庞大的表亲们是如何主宰这片土地的。

One individual could be put out by the display, however – Dippy the Diplodocus, the museum's most famous dinosaur is having to **vacate** the gallery where Patagotitan will be **assembled**.

然而，这件展品的到来可能会让一只恐龙恼火不已，那就是伦敦自然历史博物馆的“大明星”——梁龙骨架复制模型“Dippy”，“Dippy”不得不撤离大厅，腾出组装巴塔哥巨龙骨架的地方。

1. 词汇表

skeletons	骨架
draw	亮点，看点
the lot	全部，所有
unearthed	出土
sensation	轰动性事件
thighbone	股骨
replica	复制品
supersized	（体型）超大的

vacate	腾出（地方，空间）
assembled	组装

2. 阅读理解：请在读完上文后，回答下列问题。（答案见下页）

1. True or false? *Dinosaur skeletons are not a popular attraction.*
2. Which museum in London will showcase the Patagotitan replica next year?
3. When and where were the Patagotitan's fossils unearthed?
4. Why could the arrival of the new display be trouble for Dippy the Diplodocus?

3. 答案

1. True or false? *Dinosaur skeletons are not a popular attraction.*

False. According to the report, dinosaur skeletons are always a big draw.

2. Which museum in London will showcase the Patagotitan replica next year?

The Natural History Museum will showcase the Patagotitan replica next year.

3. When and where were the Patagotitan's fossils unearthed?

Patagotitan's fossils were unearthed in Argentina in 2014.

4. Why could the arrival of the new display be trouble for Dippy the Diplodocus?

Because Dippy is having to vacate the gallery where Patagotitan will be assembled.