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# Is That a Fact?

**Directions:** Read the Scholastic News Online story about the newly discovered dinosaur (“Tiny *T. rex*”). Then read each statement below and do the following:

- ✓ Circle **F** if it's a fact or **O** if it's an opinion.
- ✓ Underline words that help you identify opinion statements.

1. The *Raptorex* was about 9 feet tall. **F** **O**
2. Paleontology, the study of fossils, is an exciting field of work. **F** **O**
3. *T. rex* and *Raptorex* were both amazing and interesting creatures. **F** **O**
4. *T. rex* and *Raptorex* both had sharp teeth, powerful legs, and short forearms. **F** **O**
5. The *Raptorex* fossil was discovered near a lake in northern China. **F** **O**
6. The *Raptorex* skeleton was the most important fossil discovery of the year. **F** **O**
7. The *Raptorex* fossil should be displayed at a museum in the United States. **F** **O**
8. Fragments of sand were found on the *Raptorex* skeleton. **F** **O**
9. Paul Sereno of the University of Chicago examined the *Raptorex* fossil. **F** **O**
10. The person who dug up the *Raptorex* fossil without permission should be arrested. **F** **O**

## TRY IT!

On the back of this paper, write one fact and one opinion statement about *Raptorex*, *T. rex*, or another dinosaur that interests you.