





BEFORE YOU READ

To get young readers engaged and ready to experience *The* Itchy Book!, ask them if they have ever had an itch drive them crazy before. What did they do about it?

Read! Gather young readers around and share The Itchy

AFTER YOU READ

After finishing the story, discuss the following questions:

- What does it mean to have self-control?
- What are some ways the young readers are practicing self-control at this very moment?
- Are there times when it's okay to have a little less self-control?
- How does helping your friends make you and them feel better?
- What did these itchy dinosaurs learn in the end?

EXTENSION ACTIVITY

The story illustrates that no matter how "tough" and independent someone is, getting help from a friend is guaranteed to make things easier. Have your readers work with a partner or small group to come up with a list of things that are more easily accomplished using teamwork.