Morning Starters: Autumn 1 - Dinosaurs

Word Challenge

For each underlined homophone, write the alternative spelling(s).

Example:

so – sew and sow

Help: A homophone is a word that sounds the same as another word but has a different meaning and a different spelling.

Grammar Challenge

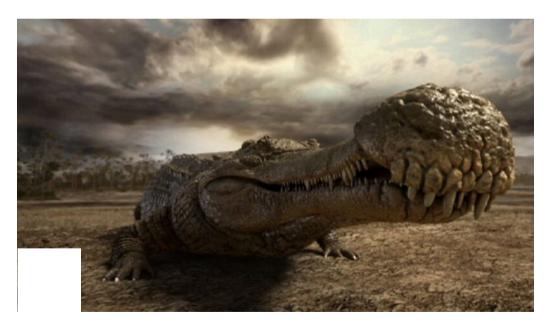
Click text to edit Without adding or removing words, rewrite

the sentence below in different ways.

Beneath the water's surface, the monstrous crocodile silently waited.

Did You Know?

Crocodiles have <u>been</u> around since the <u>time</u> of the dinosaurs, and they've barely changed! <u>Their</u> tough, scaly design is <u>so</u> effective that it has stood the test of time <u>for</u> over 200 million years. One ancient crocodile, Sarcosuchus, grew <u>to</u> twice the size of modern crocodiles. With <u>their</u> muscular jaws and incredible strength, these ancient creatures were at the top of the food chain in their watery world.



Credit: BBC One - Planet Dinosaur

Number Challenge

Fact: Sarcosuchus lived around 113 million years ago, in the early Cretaceous period.

113 million is a huge number! What is the largest number that you can write in just numerals (0-9) and say out loud?

Critical Thinking

Why do you think modern-day crocodiles are much smaller than prehistoric crocodiles like Sarcosuchus?