

Plesiosaurs and other Large Marine Reptiles **with Paleobiologist Dr. Laura Soul**

Companion Worksheet

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 - c. Fish flippers
- 3. Sauropterygians were _____.**
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 - c. Omnivores, meat and plant eaters
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