Dinosaurs
What Colors Were the Dinosaurs?

Lyrics

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I think that dinosaurs were red
with splashes of purple on their heads.
Perhaps their bodies had white spots
or pink and blue small polka-dots.
Imagine Stegosaurus now
with brown spots like a milking cow.
Or Brontosaurus—was she pink
with orange toes? What do you think?

I guess we’ll never really know
for dinosaurs lived long ago,
but brown and green won’t do for me.
I think their colors were extreme.

Tyrannosaurus—he was mean.
Was he brown, or was he green?
Or maybe like the zebra he
had black and white stripes. Could this be?
Triceratops had three huge horns.
Were they brown like prickly thorns?
I think their three horns looked just like
a scary tiger’s, big and white.

(Chorus)

Now stop and think about the way
the animals look today.
Some have stripes, some are white.
Each kind is such a special sight.
So when I draw huge dinosaurs,
I choose three colors, maybe four,
and paint them bright. Now, I suppose
that scientists would not oppose.

(Chorus)