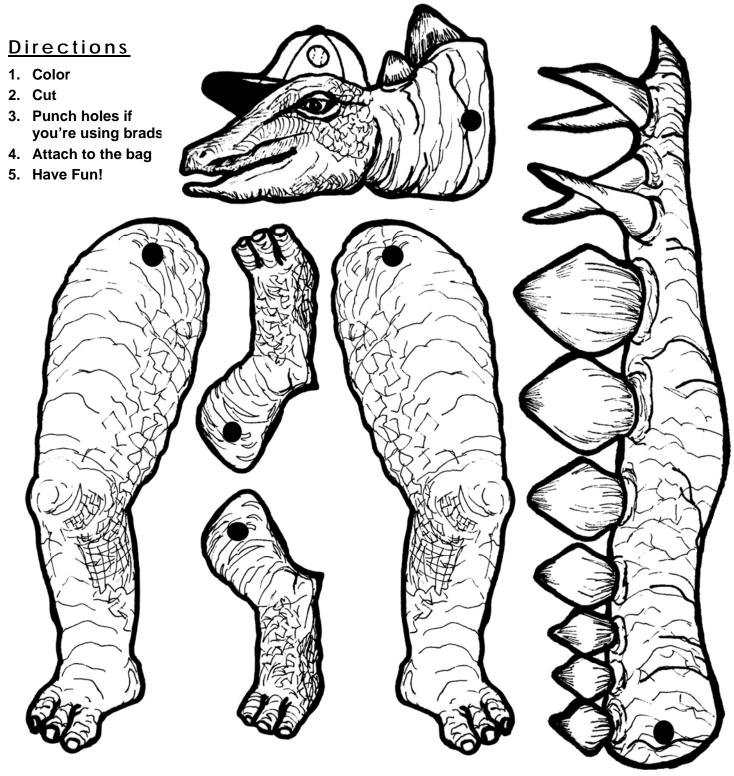
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about stegosaurus stenops

Our friend the Stegosaurus or "roof-armored lizard" was an herbivore or plant eater. Contrary to popular belief, Stegosaurus would not use its plates for protection; they were too weak. Instead, the plates acted like a heating and air conditioning system – absorbing heat from the sun's ray to help warm him up, or releasing it to help cool him off. If Stegosaurus was under attack by his enemy the Allosaurus, he could use his muscular tail and heavy spikes as a getaway tactic.



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