



# Cladogram Mural AMNH Worksheet

## Node

Name \_\_\_\_\_

My node: \_\_\_\_\_

***Find a pillar (column) at the museum that represents your node. Most nodes will have a pillar that looks like the one pictured to the right.***

*The only nodes that may not have a pillar are Maniraptors, Thyreophorans, Ornithopods, and Marginocephalians. However, each of these groups has a display with a cladogram somewhere in the appropriate hall.*

1. According to the museum display, what is the trait that evolved in the common ancestor for your group?

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2. What was the advantage for animals who evolved this trait?

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3. List at least three animals that descended from the common ancestor at your node.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_

4. Did your trait show up differently in some animals that it did in others? Did some animals seem to “undo” this adaptation? Explain any weird things you learn about animals with your trait.

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