

**The Careful Crocodile by Beverley Randell, Rigby PM Storybook, Level 16
(excerpts)**

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2-3	Long, long ago, in the days of the dinosaurs, a mother crocodile laid 40 eggs in a sandy nest by some ferns. The sun kept the eggs warm.
4	Week after week, the mother crocodile stayed under the ferns to watch over her nest.
5	She did not go down to the lake to eat and drink. She had to take care of her eggs.
6	One day, a hungry dinosaur found the nest. The mother crocodile ran out of the ferns as fast as she could.
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15	The baby crocodiles grew bigger every day. Sometimes they climbed out of the water to catch frogs and spiders in the ferns.