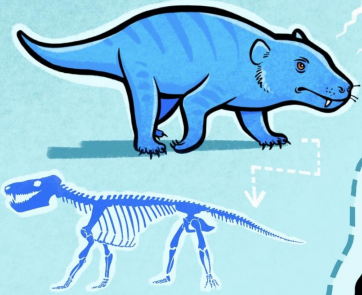


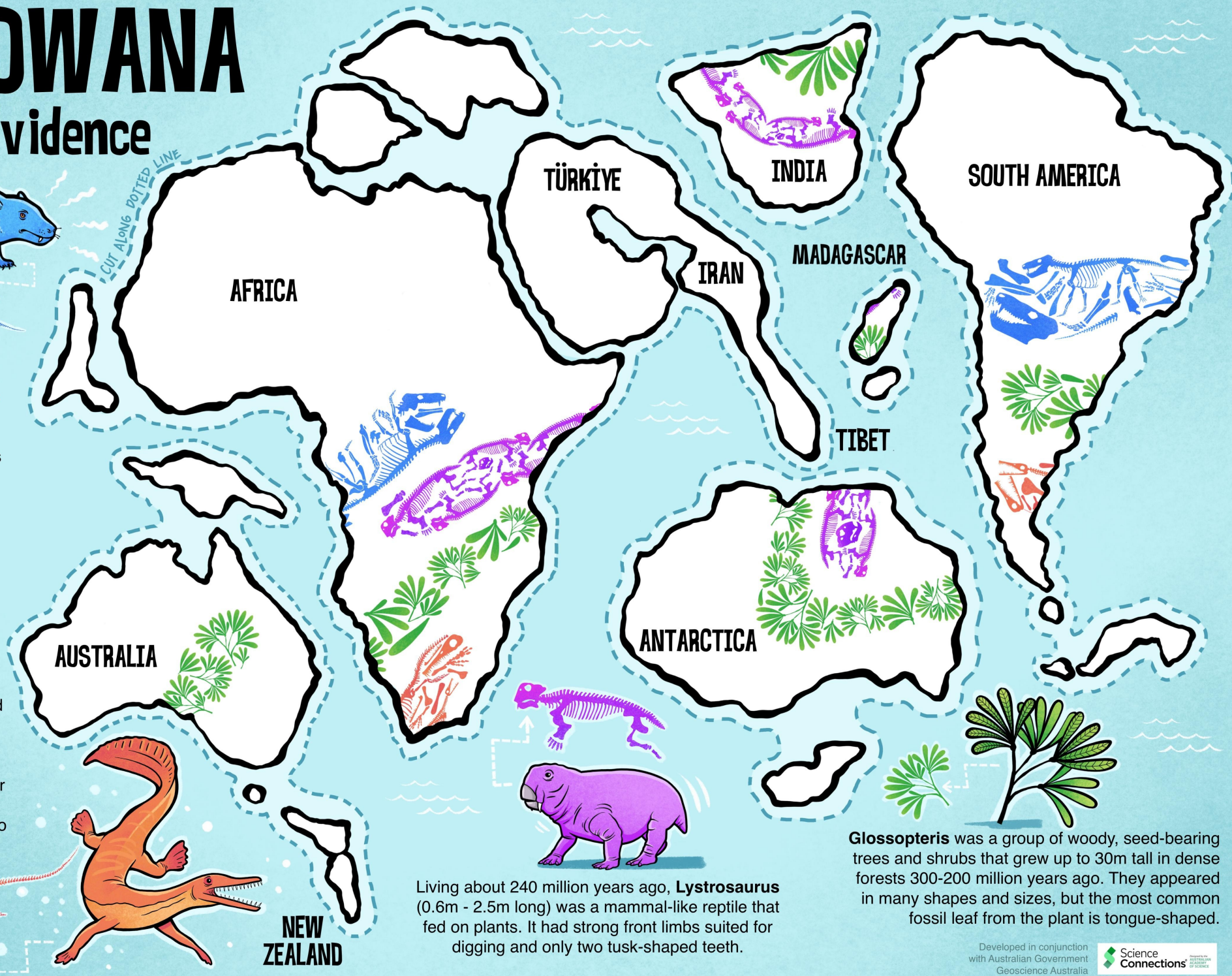
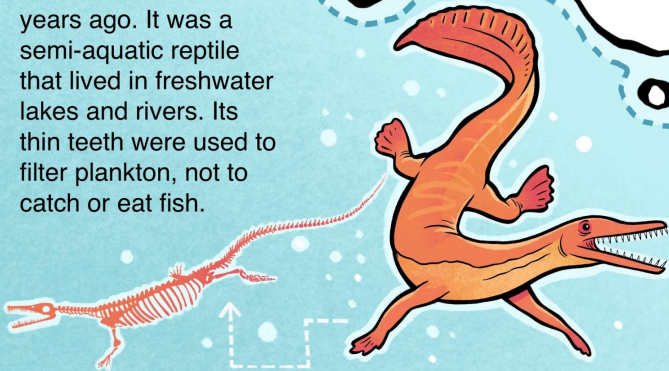
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Fossil Evidence



Cynognathus
(1.2m - 2 m long) was a mammal-like reptile that lived around 245–230 million years ago. Scientists think it had thick fur and may have given birth to live babies instead of laying eggs.

The **Mesosaurus** (approx. 1m long) lived around 300 million years ago. It was a semi-aquatic reptile that lived in freshwater lakes and rivers. Its thin teeth were used to filter plankton, not to catch or eat fish.



Living about 240 million years ago, **Lystrosaurus** (0.6m - 2.5m long) was a mammal-like reptile that fed on plants. It had strong front limbs suited for digging and only two tusk-shaped teeth.

Glossopteris was a group of woody, seed-bearing trees and shrubs that grew up to 30m tall in dense forests 300-200 million years ago. They appeared in many shapes and sizes, but the most common fossil leaf from the plant is tongue-shaped.