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13 DRAGONHEART – READING

Dragonheart

The Old Code

For thousands of years kings were kind to peasants and knights helped kings. This was the Old Code. Life was good, and everybody in the country was happy.

Good Sir Bowen and all his kings, princes and knights before him were Knights of the Old Code. Sir Bowen wanted to make Prince Einon a good fighter and wanted to teach him the Old Code.

Main characters

Sir Bowen (a knight of the Old Code)

Prince Einon, later King Einon (son of King Freyne and Queen Aislinn)

King Freyne (a tyrant King)

Queen Aislinn (King Freyne's wife)

The Great Dragon (a helpful dragon)

Kara (a peasant woman)



dragonheart drakhjärta
knight riddare
the Old Code den gamla lagen

tyrant tyrann, despot
peasant bonde

teach, taught lära ut, lärde ut
kind snäll



A New King

But not everyone followed the Old Code. Einon's father, King Freyne was a cruel king. He was killed in a battle with the peasants. Einon saw his father die and when he took the crown from his father he was badly injured by a woman called Kara.

Sir Bowen's face was tired and sad and he stood with Prince Einon, in his arms.

'I'm sorry, Queen Aislinn,' said Bowen, with his head down. 'The prince fell too.'

'Don't be sorry, Sir Bowen,' answered the queen. 'They killed Einon because of his cruel father, the king. Now, put him on my bed.'

But Einon wasn't dead. The crown, the crown..., he said weakly. Bowen put the crown into Einon's hands. But the queen didn't listen to him. She stood next to Bowen and looked down at her son. Then she slowly took off his shirt.

'We can't help him now,' Bowen said sadly.

The queen said nothing. She walked to the window and looked at a beautiful picture of a dragon on the wall. 'Perhaps we can, Bowen,' she answered. 'Perhaps we can...'

/.../

The Dragon

It was a cold, dark place and it looked dangerous.

'Follow me. Don't be afraid,' said the queen. She walked in and the men followed her. They couldn't see much. There was a lot of smoke, and there were dead animals on the ground near their feet. Then Bowen heard the strange song again.

Suddenly, the music stopped. From out of the dark somebody asked sadly, 'Are the stars shining tonight?'

'No, there aren't any stars in the sky tonight,' answered the queen.

'Is that Queen Aislinn, wife of King Freyne?' said the dragon.

cruel grym

battle strid, slag

crown kunglig krona

injured skadad

sad ledsen

weakly matt

shirt skjorta

follow följa



'Yes, Great Dragon. The people in my country love you and the other dragons. We're your friends.'

'No, Madam,' answered the dragon. 'Men and dragons were friends for thousands of years. But things are different now.'

The dragon came slowly out of the dark and sat on the ground near the queen.

'Bring Einon here, Bowen,' said the queen.

The knight carried Einon in his arms and put him down on the ground. The dragon's face was high above him. It was very ugly – brown and black, with a large mouth, big teeth, and sad eyes. Bowen felt very afraid – he never took his eyes away from that face!

The dragon looked down at Einon. 'It's King Freyne's son!' he said. 'I hated the king. He loved killing dragons and peasants. What do you want from me, Queen Aislinn?'

'I want your help,' answered the queen. 'A peasant hurt my child in the battle. Einon's not the same as his father, Great Dragon. This knight, Sir Bowen, is teaching him the Old Code. And I'm going to teach him about dragons in the future. Please help him.'

'You're asking a lot, Madam. Your son's very ill,' said the dragon.

'I know,' cried the queen. 'But he's king now. He'll be a good king. Sir Bowen and I will help him. He won't be cruel, Great Dragon.'

'He has to say that, not *you*,' answered the dragon. Then he looked at Bowen. 'Give me your sword, Knight.'

Bowen pulled out his sword and gave it to the dragon. The dragon stood over Einon, with the sword in his hands. The boy opened his eyes. He saw the dragon, and tried to move away.

'Don't be afraid, son,' said the queen quietly. 'The Great Dragon's going to help you.'

'I *will* help you, boy. But first you have to say these words: "I won't be a cruel king. I won't kill dragons and peasants. I'll love my people and be kind to them. I'll always live by the Old Code." Now, are you ready? Repeat them after me!'

Einon was very tired, but he repeated the dragon's words. Then he fell back into Bowen's arms.

'Einon, Einon!' shouted Bowen. 'No, no! He's dead!' Bowen was very angry and tried to pull his sword away from the dragon.

carry, carried bära, bar
ground mark

above ovanför
ugly gräslig, ful

ill sjuk
repeat upprepa

pull away dra undan





But the dragon shouted, 'Knight of the Old Code. Stop! Watch me! Now!' Then he pushed Bowen's sword into his heart! A red light came out of the dragon. He caught the light in his hands and turned to Einon. 'This light's half my heart, boy. I'm giving it to you. It'll make you strong. Enjoy a long life and always remember the words of the Old Code.'

Einon's eyes slowly opened. He felt weak, but he wasn't dead. Bowen looked at the boy, then he looked up at the dragon. 'I'm sorry, Great Dragon. I was angry and afraid. Thank you.'

'You can help Einon now, Sir Bowen. Teach him the Old Code well. Never forget my words.'

From *Dragonheart* by Adriana Gabriel

push trycka

weak svag



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LISTENING

A Sad Day for Kara

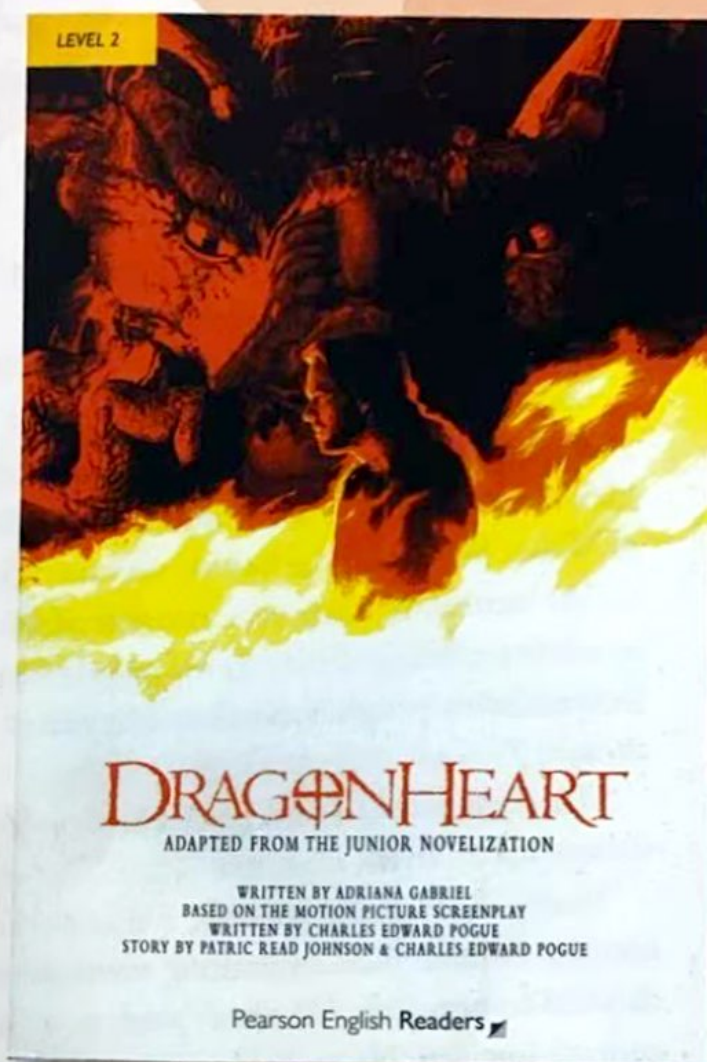
But when Einon became king he didn't keep his promise and he was as hard and cruel as his father had been.



About the Book

When Einon becomes king, he forgets the dragon's words. He is cruel to the peasants, and everybody in the country is unhappy and afraid.

The Great Dragon and good Sir Bowen, a knight of the Old Code, want to help the peasants. But can they? Will people live by the Old Code again? What will happen in the fight between good and evil?



sad sorglig
promise löfte
castle slott
I was right jag hade rätt
below nedanför

thirsty törstig
bucket hink
wear, wore ha på
 sig, hade på sig
beard skägg

dirty smutsig
burn, burnt bränna, brände
have to måste
push knuffa
quietly tyst

throw, threw kasta, kasta
hurt skada
heart hjärta
ride away rida iväg



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Jaco the Leek

Part 1

A Wish at Bedtime

This is me, Cai.

And this is my older brother, Jaco. His real name is Jac Owain Evans, but everyone calls him Jaco. Even the teachers sometimes, though never when they're telling him off.

This is a leek.

And this is Saint David. He's not in the story. He's dead. He died a very long time ago. But he is special to the people of Wales. So special, he has his very own day, Saint David's Day. It's on the same date every year, the first of March, and everyone uses it to celebrate being Welsh. Some people wear daffodils pinned to their jackets. Some people wear *leeks*. They must be mad! Leeks are stinky old things.

There are concerts and parties all over Wales. In our school everyone dresses up in Welsh costume.

That's what usually goes on. But last year was different. Last year, my brother wanted to do something extra-special for Saint David's Day. He decided to be a leek. He didn't want to *dress up* as a leek. No. That wasn't enough for Jaco. He wanted to BE a leek. So he made a wish and it came true. And this is how it happened.

The story begins the night before Saint David's Day. Jaco and I are lying in our beds, side by side like a pair of slippers. Listening to the rain



wish önskan
tell somebody off skälla ut någon
leek purjolök

Saint David Wales
skyddshelgon
date datum

celebrate fira
daffodil påsklilja
pinned to fastnålad på

stinky illaluktande
dress up klä ut sig
a pair of slippers tofflor



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falling *tip-a-tip-a* on the roof when Jaco says: 'Do you believe in the Tooth Fairy?'

'No,' I say. 'She's not real.'

'I'm not so sure,' says Jaco. 'I hope she is real, because I want her to grant me a wish tonight.'

He gets out of bed, goes to the wardrobe and pulls out his special box. I hear him feeling for something in the dark. Then he puts the box back and climbs into bed again.

'I've been saving my last tooth,' he says, 'but I think the time has come to use it.'

'OK,' I say, playing along. 'What are you going to wish for?'

'Something special for Saint David's Day. I'm tired of dressing up.'

I know how he feels. I haven't made a costume this year. I'm just going to wear my rugby shirt. But Jaco usually makes a big effort. He loves to be the best.

'This year,' he says, 'I want to be a leek.'

'You can't start making a costume now. It's gone ten o'clock.'

'No, I don't want a costume. I want to *be* a leek!' There's real excitement in his voice. 'I'm putting the tooth under my pillow, see? Now I'll make the wish.' He takes a deep breath. 'Tooth Fairy. If you are listening ... please turn me into a leek for Saint David's Day.'

Nothing happens.

I hear Jaco sigh. I'm disappointed too. I wanted a flash of lightning or something. I turn over in bed. 'Sleep tight,' I say. 'Sorry your wish didn't come true.'

But I'm wrong to say that, because the wish *does* come true! There must be a Tooth Fairy and she must be listening. Because the very next morning, Saint David's Day, the tooth has gone and my brother Jaco is a leek.

From *Jaco the Leek* by Cat Weatherill

PART 2
ONLINE

the Tooth Fairy tandfén
grant ge, bevilja
wardrobe garderob

climb klättra
effort satsning
excitement upphetsning

pillow kudde
sigh sucka
disappointed besviken

a flash of lightning en bli
sleep tight sov gott



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1 Before you read

- 1 What do you know about *Dragonheart*?
Have you seen the film?
- 2 Can you think of a few ingredients that are typical for a fantasy tale? (characters, settings, story line, time)

2 Read and answer

A The Old Code / A New King

Read the text and fill in the sentences using one word only. The sentences are not in any special order.

- 1 In the days of the Old Code, life was good and everybody in the country was _____.
- 2 The queen thinks she can help the prince after looking at a picture of a _____ on the wall.
- 3 Prince Einon starts to speak. He asks for the _____.
- 4 King Freyne was _____ in a battle with the peasants. In the same battle, Prince Einon was _____.
- 5 Sir Bowen and kings, princes and knights before him were _____ of the Old Code.
- 6 Einon's mother, Queen Aislinn, took off the prince's _____.
- 7 The Old Code was kings being kind to _____ and knights helping kings.
- 8 Sir Bowen thinks Prince Einon is _____.

B The Dragon

Take turns to ask and answer the following questions.

- 1 Which other word is used to describe the place, apart from cold and dark?
- 2 Who said "Is that Queen Aislinn, wife of King Freyne?"
- 3 When Queen Aislinn tells him that the people love him, how does he reply?
- 4 Describe the dragon's appearance.
- 5 What does the queen want the dragon to do?
- 6 What does Queen Aislinn tell the dragon about her son?



3 Choose the word

Here is part of the text *Dragonheart* again. Try, without looking back at the text, to choose the best word (a, b or c) for each gap (1–12).

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Suddenly, the music stopped. From out of the dark somebody asked sadly, 'Are the stars (3) _____ tonight?'

'No, there aren't any stars in the sky tonight,' (4) _____ the queen. 'Is that Queen Aislinn, wife of King Freyne?' said the dragon.

'Yes, Great Dragon. The people in my country love you and the other dragons. We're your friends.'

'No, Madam,' answered the dragon. 'Men and dragons were friends for thousands of years. But things are (5) _____ now.'

The dragon came slowly out of the dark and (6) _____ on the ground near the queen.

'Bring Einon here, Bowen,' said the queen.

The knight (7) _____ Einon in his arms and put him down on the ground. The dragon's face was high above him. It was very ugly – brown and black, with a large mouth, big teeth, and sad eyes. Bowen felt very afraid – he never (8) _____ his eyes away from that face!

The dragon looked down at Einon. 'It's King Freyne's son!' he said. 'I hated the king. He loved (9) _____ dragons and peasants. (10) _____ do you want from me, Queen Aislinn?'

'I want your help,' answered the queen. 'A peasant (11) _____ my child in the battle. Einon's not the same as his father, Great Dragon. This knight, Sir Bowen, is teaching him the Old Code. And I'm going to (12) _____ him about dragons in the future. Please help him.'

'You're asking a lot, Madam. Your son's very ill,' said the dragon.

- 1 a) showed
b) followed
c) helped
- 2 a) towards
b) above
c) near
- 3 a) shining
b) showing
c) flashing
- 4 a) told
b) shouted
c) answered
- 5 a) strange
b) different
c) special
- 6 a) sat
b) waited
c) fell
- 7 a) helped
b) picked
c) carried
- 8 a) took
b) left
c) pulled
- 9 a) killing
b) eating
c) showing
- 10 a) Why
b) What
c) Who
- 11 a) hurt
b) killed
c) upset
- 12 a) learn
b) show
c) teach





4 What are these people doing?

You're going to listen to five dialogues and have to work out what the people in each dialogue are doing. There are eight things to choose from. Write the number for each dialogue (1–5) in the correct box.

Remember: Use only five of the boxes. At the end there'll be three empty boxes left. Listen carefully – you'll only hear the dialogues once.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shopping for clothes | <input type="checkbox"/> Preparing for take-off |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Breaking the rules | <input type="checkbox"/> Attending a Geography class |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attending a Chemistry class | <input type="checkbox"/> Lining up in the school cafeteria |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shopping for make-up | <input type="checkbox"/> Getting their school picture taken |

G 5 Harry's game

Translate the sentences into English. Don't forget the apostrophe ('s)!

Ser du skillnaden mellan svenskan och engelskan? I engelskan använder man en apostrof före s-et för att visa att någon "äger något". På grammatikspråk heter ägande genitiv. *Harry's computer, Kylie's room, Gopal's sister, Kate's notebook.*



- 1 Jerrys syster arbetar på en bank.
- 2 Harrys pappa gillar fotboll.
- 3 Vår lärares namn är Svetlana.
- 4 Vår grannes katt är väldigt gammal.
- 5 Jennys mormor bor i Polen.
- 6 Rinaldo är Kates katt.
- 7 Flickan kammade barnets hår.
- 8 Har du läst Lisas blogg?



A Sad Day for Kara



1 Before you listen

- A 1** Do you think Einon followed the Old Code when he became king?
2 Look at the pictures on page 58 in Textbook. What do you think will happen?

B Match 1-10 with (a-j). Use a dictionary.

- _____ **1** sad
 _____ **2** castle
 _____ **3** beard
 _____ **4** dirty

_____ **5** below

_____ **6** thirsty

_____ **7** bucket

_____ **8** heart

_____ **9** throw

_____ **10** wear

a) The opposite of 'clean'.

b) Part of the body.

c) I'm _____. Can I have a glass of water?

d) To _____ nice clothes.

e)



f)



g) To _____ a ball or a Frisbee.

h) The opposite of 'above'.

i) The opposite of 'happy'.

j)



C Fill in the missing words. Choose from 1-10 above.

- 1** Your hands are so _____. Go and wash them!
2 I'm going to Tom's party on Friday but I don't know what to _____ – jeans or a skirt?
3 "Why are you crying?"
 "I can't help it. I've been watching a very _____ film."
4 Traditionally, Father Christmas has a long, white _____.
5 King Einon lived in a very big _____.





2 Listen and answer

Listen and choose the best answers (a, b or c). Read through the sentences before you start.

- 1 King Einon thought his castle was going to be the biggest and the
a) *most expensive* b) *most beautiful* c) *most famous*
castle in the world.
- 2 It was a very a) *hot* b) *windy* c) *cold* day.
- 3 Kara was Redbeard's a) *wife* b) *sister* c) *daughter*.
- 4 She had long a) *red* b) *black* c) *blonde* hair.
- 5 Redbeard's hands and arms were
a) *old* b) *dirty* c) *strong*.
- 6 Redbeard was a) *hungry* b) *deaf* c) *blind*.
- 7 Redbeard thinks that the king or one of his knights will want Kara
one day. a) *True* b) *False*
- 8 a) *Sir Felton* b) *An old peasant* c) *King Einon* pushed
the bucket with his sword so that the water went over Redbeard.
- 9 King Einon kills Redbeard. a) *True* b) *False*
- 10 What does Kara feel about King Einon?
a) *She thinks he is handsome.*
b) *She hates him.*
c) *She would like to marry him one day.*



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Textbook Magic Pages page 93.





3 Retell the story

- A** Use exercise 2 and the pictures on page 58 in Textbook to retell the story.
- B** Summarize the story in 10–15 sentences.
- C** Ask a friend to read what you have written and give you some response.
- D** Write your own story about a dragon.

4 Discuss

- 1 Why do you think stories about kings and knights are so popular?
- 2 Can you compare this story to any other you have read or seen in a film? Give examples.



5 Lucky and unlucky numbers

A Before you listen

- 1 Do you have a lucky number? Which one?
- 2 Do you have an unlucky number? Which one?
- 3 Has anything happened to you thanks to your lucky number or because of your unlucky number?

lucky numbers lyckonummer
 unlucky numbers otursnummer
 superstitious vidskeplig, skrockfull
 high-rise buildings höghus
 painting målning
 betrayed förädd
 Norse mythology Nordisk mytologi
 (berättelser)
 reason anledning



B Listen and answer

You're going to listen to part of a radio programme in two parts where a man talks about lucky and unlucky numbers. As you listen, fill in the missing information or choose the correct answer (a, b or c).

Before you start, read through the sentences 1–4.

Part 1

- 1 In the UK, the USA and in Europe the number a) 12 b) 13 c) 14 is considered unlucky.
- 2 This row number is often left out when travelling by _____.
- 3 In New York, fewer than a) 2% b) 10% c) 5% of hotels or high rise buildings have this floor.
- 4 In the painting The Last Supper the 13th person at the table was a) Judas b) Jesus c) John.



Now read through the sentences 5–11.

Part 2

- 5 The number a) 6 b) 8 c) 12 in China is a very lucky number.
- 6 The word for eight in Mandarin sounds like the word for a) gold b) wealth c) happiness.
- 7 In 1992, someone paid \$ _____ for a car number plate with just the number 8 on it.
- 8 In Chengdu the telephone number _____ was sold for \$270,723.
- 9 The Olympic Games in Beijing started on August 18th 2008. a) True b) False
- 10 People in China don't like the number 4 because it sounds like the word for '_____'.
'_____'
- 11 Write down the number of a floor you wouldn't find in a hotel in China. _____

6 Discuss

- 1 What other superstitions do you know?
- 2 Do you or your friends care about superstitions? Why? / Why not?

bring you good
luck and fortune
ge dig stor lycka
number plate
registreringsskylt
lift hiss



1 There are 20 people online

Fill in the missing words

There's or **There are**.

Then read the poem out loud.



There is (There's) och **there are** betyder "det finns".

Du använder **there is (there's)** när du berättar var en sak finns:
There is (There's) a bird in the tree.

När du berättar om flera saker använder du **there are**:
There are many birds in the tree.

_____ a king who lives in Sweden.
_____ a queen who lives there too.
_____ monkeys in the forest.
_____ lions in the zoo.
_____ a waterfall in Canada,
Niagara is its name.

_____ pyramids in Egypt
and camels who are tame.

_____ a famous clock in London
and _____ lots of theatres, too.
And near the Thames _____ the London Eye.

Yes, _____ a lot to see and do!

In Sweden _____ forests.

In Finland _____ lakes.

In Scotland _____ a monster.

In America – Bill Gates!

In China _____ a great big wall.

You can see it from the moon!

In Nevada _____ Death Valley,

and _____ thirty days in June.

_____ so many places I'd like to see

from Brazil to Japan to Rome.

But _____ one place that means the world to me

– that place is Home, sweet home!

PWJ

8 A-Z Dictionary game

Work in pairs or groups of three.

Here's your chance to see how

good you are at words. Your

teacher will give you more

information.

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Textbook +

exercises online

Jaco the Leek Part 1

WEM?
ONLINE

Online

Jaco the Leek Part 2

Class Library – Questions on *Dragonheart*

