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The Little Dragon



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What's this story about?

The children have made up a play called 'The Little Dragon'. They act the play for their parents. Dad is very relieved when the play is over!

Talk together

Read the title on the cover and look at the picture. Ask, "Who do you think Kipper will be?" Look through the book. Find a king, a knight, a princess and a tree. Ask, "Who is the tree?"

Read the story



= Word recognition



= Language comprehension

- W Begin to read the story together.
- W Help children read the tricky words 'fight', 'knight' and 'frightened'. Ask, "What three letters are the same in each word?"
- W Ask children to show you how to sound out the letters in 'king' and 'dragon'.
- C Page 10, ask, "Do you think Dad is getting tired?", "Why?"
- C Ask, "Do you think Dad wants to act the play again?", "Do the children?"
- W Ask children to read the story again from the beginning.



The children put on a play.

"I am the king," said Chip.



dragon



“Fight the dragon.”

"I am the knight," said Wilma.



dragon



"I will fight the dragon."

“I am the dragon,” said Kipper.



dragon

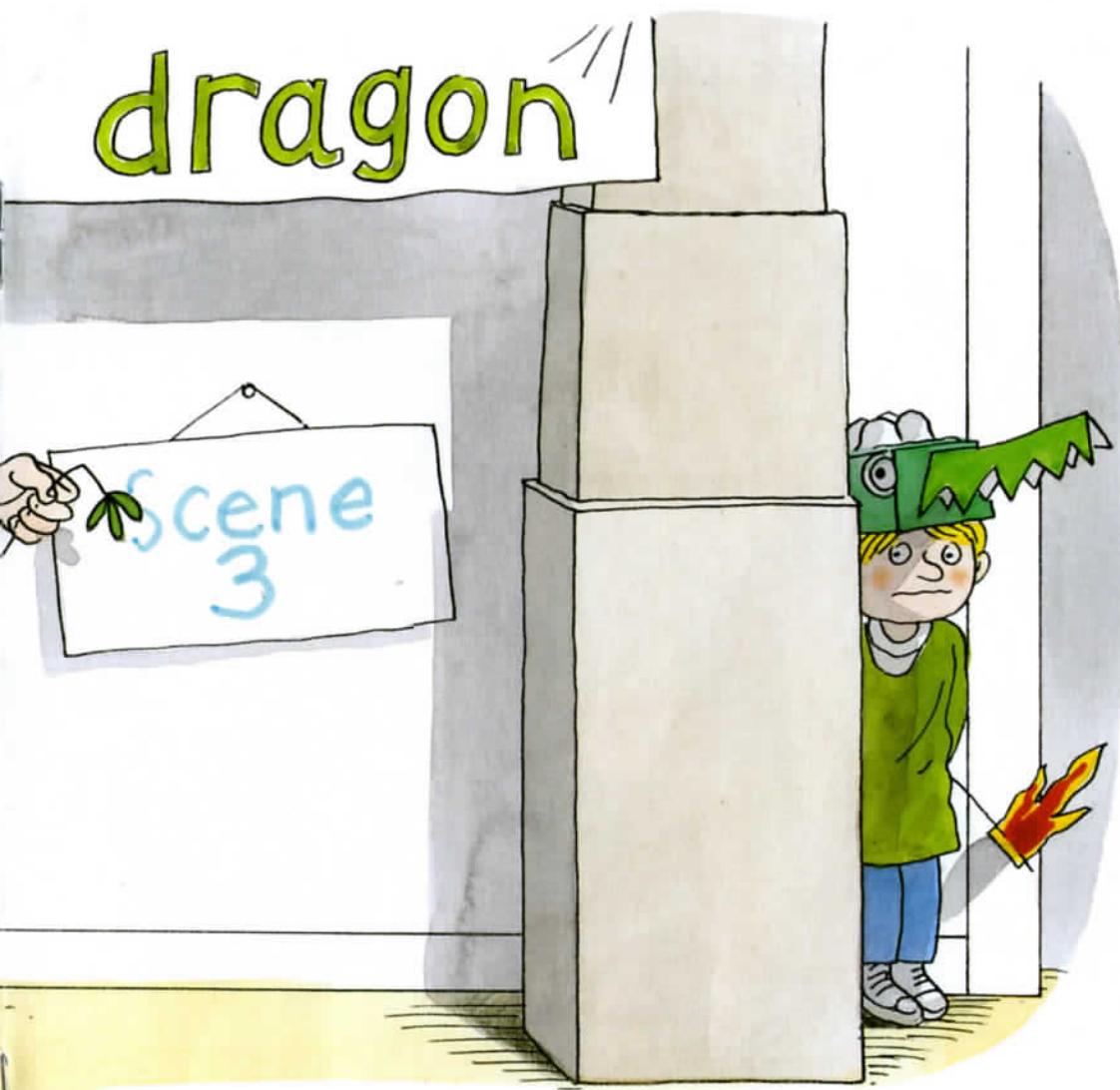


“But I am a little dragon.”

“I am the princess,” said Biff.



dragon



“I like dragons.”

The princess played with
the dragon.



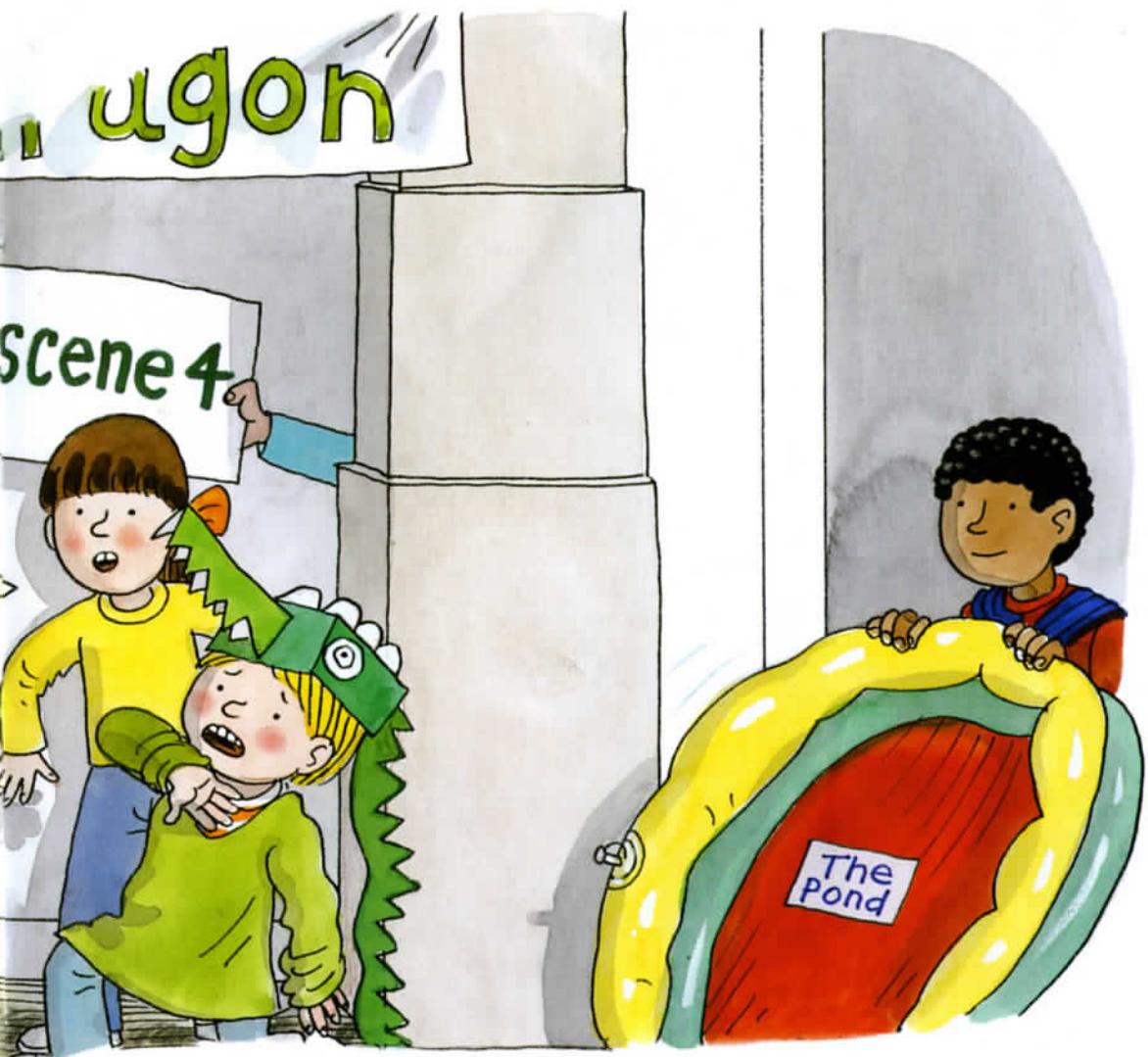
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They played under the tree.

"I am the knight," said Wilma.





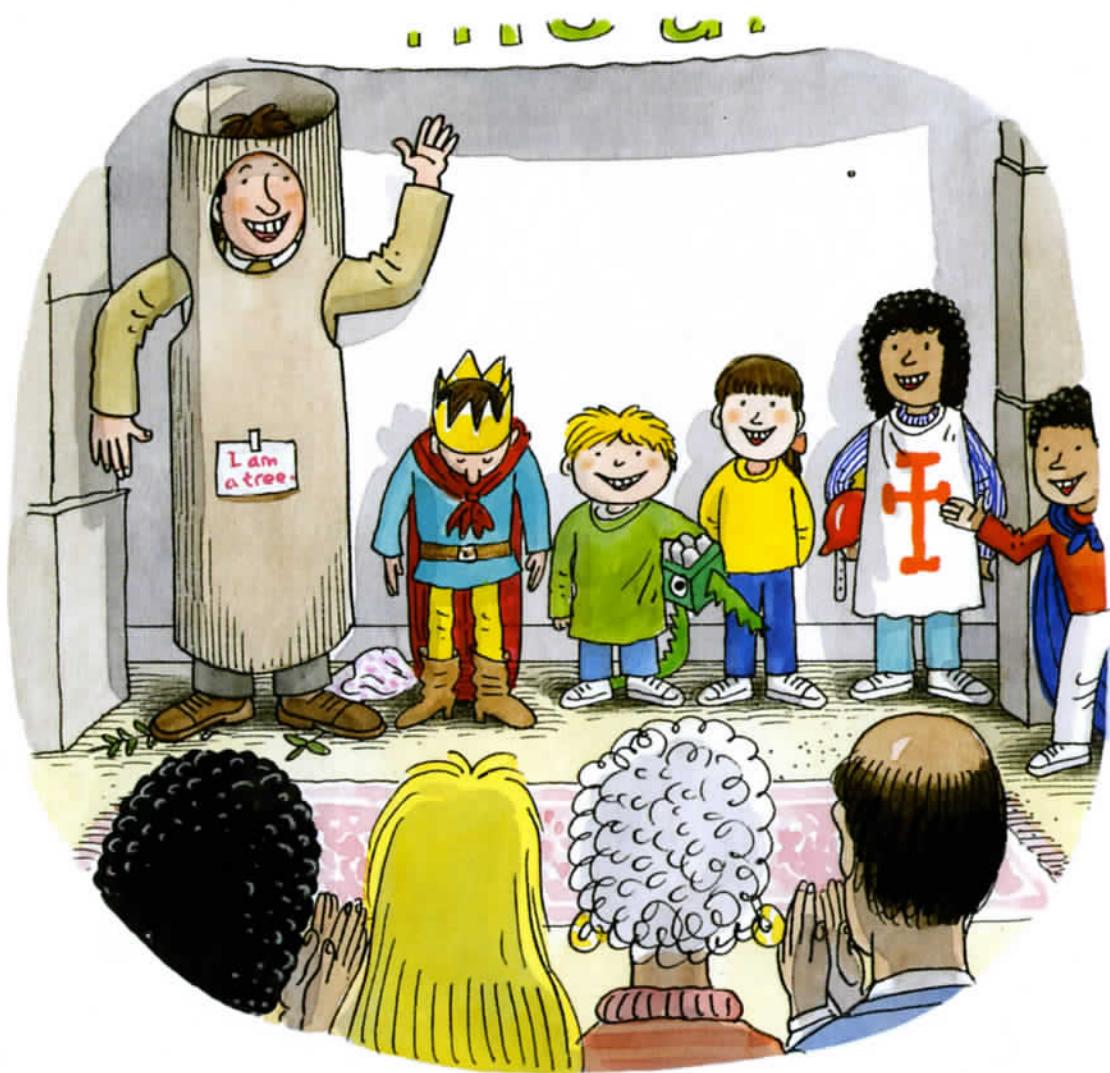
“I am frightened,” said
the dragon.

"I am cross," said the princess.





She pushed the knight in
the pond.



“What a good play,”
said everyone.

Play a game

Find the word

To help children scan a text.

- Ask children to find a word, e.g. 'princess'.
- Children scan the text to find it.
- Swap roles.
- Have several turns each.

Other ideas

You can use these ideas straight away, or on another day.

- Help children put on their own short play.
- Think of other 'kn' words. Help children use a dictionary to find them.



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This story practises these words:

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