



Do Not Take Your Dragon to Dinner by Julie Gassman

Recommended books:

- If I Had a Dragon*** by Amanda Ellery
It Came in the Mail by Ben Clanton
Dragon was Terrible by Kelly DiPucchio
How to Be Friends with a Dragon by Valeri Gorbachev
Again by Gravett, Emily.
There's No Such Thing as a Dragon by Jack Kentent
I Will Not Eat You by Adam Lehrhaup
Have you Seen my Dragon? by Steve Light
Dragons Love Tacos by Adam Rubin
j398.245 is the call number for children's non-fiction about dragons.

Songs:

All Around the Castle Walls
(Sung to "Pop Goes the Weasel")
All around the castle walls,
The knight chased the dragon.
The knight thought it was all in fun.
"Roar!" went the dragon.

I'm a Little Dragon
(Sung to "I'm a Little Teapot")
I'm a little dragon, strong and stout.
Here is my tail and here is my snout.
If you get me upset, you better watch out!
I'll give you something to shout about!

Literacy Tip

Share books with a predictable pattern and let the children fill in the repeated part or complete the pattern. This will help develop their narrative skills. The ability to describe things, events and tell stories is important for good comprehension when reading.

Dragon Pokey

(Sung to "Hokey Pokey")

You put your claws in, *(put hands in)*

You take your claws out, *(pull hands out)*

You put your claws in and you scratch them all about! *(pretend to scratch the air)*

You do the dragon pokey and you turn yourself round, *(spin around)*

That's what it's all about!

Other Verses:

Feet in... Stomp them all about

Teeth in... Chomp them all about

Tail in... Swing it all about

Ten Little Dragons

(Sung to "Ten Little Indians")

One little, two little,

Three little dragons.

Four little, five little,

Six little dragons.

Seven little, eight little,

Nine little dragons.

Ten little dragons breathing fire!

Fingerplays and Action Rhymes:

Five Little Dragons

One little dragon with scales of blue, *(Hold up one finger)*

Ran to meet the green one,

And then there were two. *(Hold up two fingers)*

Two little dragons sitting under a tree;

The red dragon joined them,

And then there were three. *(Hold up three fingers)*

Three little dragons, wishing there were more;

Along came the purple dragon,

And then there were four. *(Hold up four fingers)*

Four little dragons, happy to be alive;

Found a yellow dragon,

And then there were five. *(Hold up five fingers)*

Five little dragons all out to play;

"Watch out, they breathe fire," is all I have to say.

Little Dragon

Little Dragon counts to three, (*Count to three*)
Little Dragon bends one knee. (*Bend one knee*)
Little Dragon whistles and sings. (*Whistle/Sing*)
Little Dragon touches his toes, (*Touch toes*)
Little Dragon touches his nose. (*Touch noes*)
Little Dragon makes a funny face, (*Funny face*)
Little Dragon runs in place. (*Run in place*)
Little Dragon lays on the floor, (*Lay on floor*)
Little Dragon starts to snore. (*Pretend to snore*)

The Sand Dragon

Today I was in my sandbox,
And I made myself a dragon. (*Shape dragon with hands*)
I wanted to show it to my mom,
So I put it in my wagon. (*Lift "dragon" into wagon*)
I pulled it over bumpy grass, (*Pull wagon*)
And called and waved my hand. (*Wave hand*)
Mom smiled and said,
 "What dragon, child?" (*Turn and look behind*)
There was nothing there but sand.



Craft:

Hand Print Dragons

Materials:

- Colored construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue
- Googly Eyes
- Ribbon

Directions:

1. Help trace the child's hands several times in different colors (if they choose) or on green paper.
2. Cut the hands out and attach them side by side using a little glue.
3. Cut out the dragon's head from construction paper and attach googly eyes.
4. Create a colorful tail with ribbon and attach to the last handprint.

Poem:

A Dragon Ate My Night Light

A huge dragon ate my nightlight,
Gulping glass and prongs and all!
Darkness stalked my shaking body,
A moving shadow filled the hall.
As I floated in a groggy sleep,
The bulb-bellied dragon began to loom.
Trembling, I crawled to warn my brother,
And saw my nightlight in his room!

-Charlotte Adelsperger