



Dragon Resource Guide

**I know deep inside, I can create what I feel.
When I enter dream world, I can make anything real.**

Dragon's story offers an introduction to our Creativity Collection. There are many ways to be creative. Dragon helps bring inspiration and curiosity to children while also supporting them in exploring their imagination and inner dream world.

Help children understand the important messages of Dragon's story. Before starting the book, review the keywords on the back cover of the book.



Creativity

Thinking of and creating new things from your own ideas and imagination.

Questions to ask:

What are your favorite ways to create and imagine?

Examples:

Drawing, playing with toys, building with blocks, making up stories, etc.



Cognitive Flexibility

Being able to think of new ways to solve problems.

Questions to ask:

If you are trying to build something and it keeps falling down, what can you do?

Examples:

I can try again, I can build it a new way, I can use new materials, I can ask for help, etc.



Imaginative Play

Coming up with new and fun ways to play and use your imagination.

Questions to ask:

What are your favorite things to imagine?

Examples:

That I'm a dinosaur, that Dragon can talk to me, that I'm on a pirate ship, etc.

Discussion Points

Read Dragon's story together and answer the following questions:

Q: Is it important for Dragon to get things *just right*, or is it okay to just play?

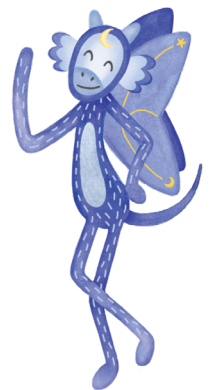
A: It's okay to play! That's part of the fun of creating something.

Q: Does Dragon welcome new people and friends to join in the play?

A: Yes, Dragon welcomes all people to play and join in the fun.

Q: What adventure would you dream to do with a dreaming dragon?

A: Pretend I am in space, create a puppet show, play school, etc.



Activity

Try exploring new materials, fabrics, or mediums together with your child. Sensory play is a great tool for exploration because there are no limits to what you can do or create! Try making edible sand by mixing up cereal or oats in a blender. Add the mixture to a tray with a few additional items like cups, spoons, or rocks and explore together. Follow your child's lead, letting them show you just how creative they can be.