

True or False

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

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Using the information in *Dragons*, verify whether the following information is true or false. Check your answers in the book. List the page number where you found your information beside your answer.

Statement 1	In fantasy stories, dragons and knights are often enemies.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 2	Wyverns are often represented with bird-like bodies.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 3	In Chinese culture, dragons are negative symbols.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 4	Dragons are a symbol of benevolence in Christianity.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 5	The Dracorex Hogwartsia is a dinosaur with a spiked crest that makes it look like a mythological dragon.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>



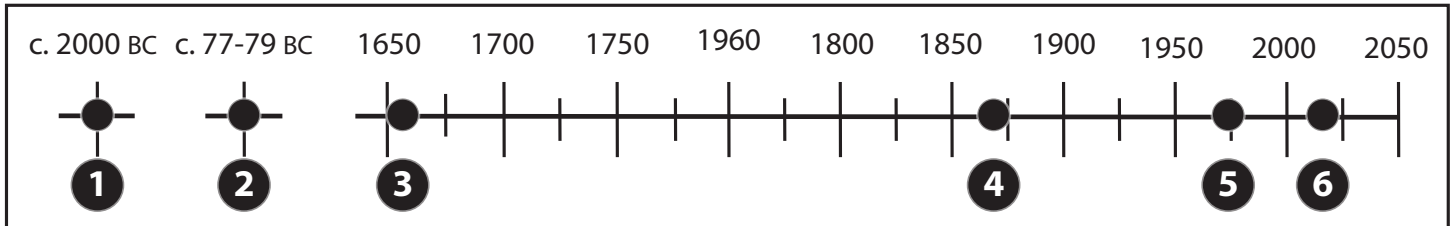
Make a Timeline

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Number the events below in the order they should appear on the timeline. Write the number in the box beside each event. Check your answers with pages 28–29 of the book.



Lewis Carroll publishes the poem "The Jabberwocky" in the book *Through the Looking Glass*. The poem describes a dragon-like creature.

How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World arrives in theaters. The movie is the last of an animated trilogy offering a modern take on dragon legends.

The German scholar Athanasius Kircher talks about dragons in his book *Mundus Subterraneus*.

The Epic of Gilgamesh, a poem from ancient Mesopotamia, mentions a dragon-like monster called Humbaba.

Roman historian Pliny the Elder describes dragons in his *Naturalis Historia*. He was likely describing large snakes.

The popular role-playing game *Dungeons and Dragons* is created. The game describes many different types of dragons with different personalities.



Fill in the Blanks

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Use the information found in *Dragons* to help you complete the following activity.

1. The word dragon comes from the ancient Greek word *drakon*, which means "big ."
2. The Komodo dragon uses its long to catch prey.
3. The dragon dance is called *Wu Long* in Chinese. This dance has been performed since the period of the dynasty.
4. The Komodo dragon is a lizard named after dragons.
5. Southeast Asian tells of dragon-like creatures called nagas.
6. In a Greek myth, a prince planted dragon in the ground, which grew into an army of fierce warriors.



Complete the statements by writing the correct number in the box.

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| 1. One of the oldest dragon images, found in a Chinese tomb, may be this many years old. | <input type="text"/> | 220 |
| 2. Some Komodo dragons weigh as much as this many pounds. | <input type="text"/> | 9 |
| 3. The Han dynasty ended in this year. | <input type="text"/> | 6,000 |
| 4. The hydra is a type of dragon in Greek mythology. This mighty dragon has this many or more heads. | <input type="text"/> | 10 |
| 5. Komodo dragons can grow as long as this many feet. | <input type="text"/> | 2 |
| 6. Western dragons have this many wings. | <input type="text"/> | 300 |



Write a Letter

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

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Think about what it would be like to meet a dragon. Write a letter to a friend describing an imaginary encounter with this legend. What did it look like? What did it do? What did you say to it?



Quiz

Test your knowledge by answering these quiz questions.

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1 With what are dragons associated in Japanese legends?

2 What is the dragon dance called in Chinese?

3 What might be the origin of legends about dragons?

4 Where are nagas often represented in Thailand?

5 How is Saint George often depicted in Christian tradition?

6 What is a dragon with two legs called?

7 What does the word *Dracorex* mean?

8 How long can Komodo dragons grow?

9 What do dragons look like in Western countries?

10 Where do many dragon stories take place?



Key Words Match-Up

Write the words from the list below in the box above the correct definition for each word.

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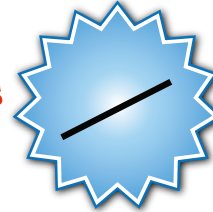
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KEY WORDS

serpents
mythical
lair
monitor lizard
poisonous

tomb
scales
hatchlings
folklore

**Your
Score is**



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1.
having to do with fictional stories or myths
2.
large, snake-like creatures
3.
a large stone structure that holds a dead body
4.
a large reptile found mainly in Africa, Asia, and Australia
5.
homes or resting places of animals
6.
fictional stories that people pass down over the years
7.
deadly or harmful
8.
the thin, flat, overlapping pieces of hard skin that cover the bodies of fish and reptiles
9.
young animals that are born from eggs

