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From that day forward, whenever the dragon had an itchy itch, he went to visit the knight.

The two remained friends for many years and they had many

splendid adventures.



The dragon immediately noticed the silver sword.

A big smile came upon the dragon's face, for he believed that the sword could easily be used to scratch that itchy itch.

The knight saw the smile on he dragon's face.

He decided to smile back.

He said to the dragon, "How do you do?"

The dragon answered, "I am doing very well, thank you... except for the itchy itch on my back. I was wondering if you might agree to help me."

The Dragon and The Knight



Once his morning chores were complete, the dragon usually went for a walk.

He walked up the hill.

He walked down the hill.



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Then he went for a swim.

He swam around the moat seven times each morning.

The dragon sighed with pleasure.

"That's it!" he cried, "The itch itch is gone. Thank you SO much!" "You are welcome," replied the knight.



He used the sword every afternoon to cut down apples from the apple tree that grew nearby.

In fact, the knight was just cutting down the fourth apple when he saw the dragon approaching.



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The knight had never before helped a dragon, but he was willing to try.

The dragon said," Please gently move the tip of your sword back and forth and up and down across my back."

"Do not worry. My scales are tough and the sword will not hurt me as long as you are gentle.

So the knight moved his sword back and forth and up and down, gently.





Once upon a time there was a dragon who lived in a castle.

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Nearby, there was a knight who lived in a cave.

He had a shiny silver sword.

It was a most useful sword.

He used the sword every morning to cut his toast.



After swimming, it was time to read a book.

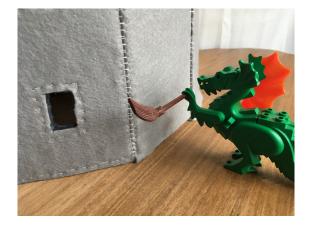


After reading, it was time for lunch.



After lunch, it was time for a nap.

The dragon was very proud of his castle. He took good care of it. Every morning, he swept the castle floors on the inside and the castle walls on the outside.



He did not clean the windows because there was no glass in the windows.



One day, as the dragon tried to take his nap, he found that he could not go to sleep.

What was keeping him awake?

An itch!

It was an itchy itch, right in the middle of his back.

The dragon could not reach the itch with his claws.

The dragon could not reach the itch with his tail.

He decided to go looking for some help.



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