

# History of Dragons

## Handout #1

### Dragon facts for kids

#### Kids Encyclopedia Facts

*This page is about the [mythical](#) creature called dragon. For other meanings of the word, see [Dragon \(disambiguation\)](#).*

The **dragon** is a [legendary creature](#) belonging to the worlds of [mythology](#), storytelling, and [fantasy](#). There are [stories](#) about dragons in [Chinese](#) culture, [European](#) culture, [South American](#) culture, and many other cultures.

Dragons can look like [dinosaurs](#) and other [extinct](#) animals. Because of that, it is easy to think that those animals might have been an example for dragons as they were thought of in the history of [humankind](#).

There are many kinds of dragons in different cultures. In general:

- A dragon has zero to four legs, claws, scales, and possibly spikes. It may also have wings.
- A dragon can look like a [snake](#) with [wings](#) or like [lizards](#).
- A dragon has a tail and a long neck.
- A dragon has a wide mouth with big and dangerous teeth.
- Sometimes they have horns and hair.
- A dragon can usually fly.
- A dragon can perhaps breathe [fire](#) (or other dangerous substances).
- A dragon has special powers.
- Some dragons live in [caves](#).
- Dragons [hoard precious metals](#) and [jewels](#).

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