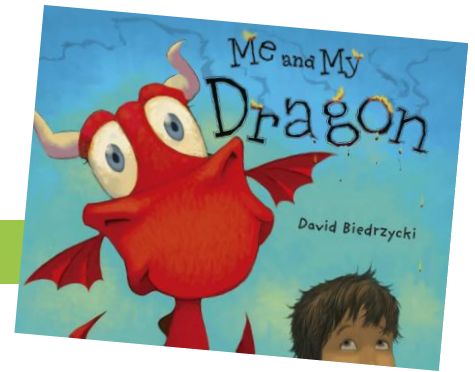


Me and My Dragon



READ ALOUD GUIDE

Themes: Pets, Friendship

Book Brief: Who wouldn't want a pet dragon? See what raising a friendly dragon might look like in this hilarious read aloud about a boy and his pet.

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BEFORE READING

The Cover: Ask students to make a prediction about the story based on the cover.

Vocabulary: Frontload Tier 2 words using the accompanying [Vocabulary Guide](#).

The Pictures: Take a brief picture walk and ask students what they wonder about.

Purpose for Reading: "As we read, pay attention to how the boy cares for his pet."

Prior Knowledge: Ask, "Have you ever had a pet? Why might someone want a pet?"

DURING READING

Check for understanding & make connections:

- What type of pet does the boy want?
- How do the boy and his pet dragon have fun together?
- If you could have any animal as a pet, what would you choose? Why?

AFTER READING

Our Purpose: How does the boy care for his pet dragon?

Extending Our Thinking: Have students use [RIF's Writing Template](#) to write a letter to a family member explaining why they want a pet. Encourage them to include specific reasons and details about how they will take care of it.

If your students enjoyed this book...

- Encourage them to continue to discuss it and refer to it in other lessons and conversations.
- Let them explore more about the topic by reading other books with similar themes, structure, characters, or content.