

The Princess and the Sleepy Dragon

Princess: Hello! My name is Princess Pink, and I'm taking a walk through the flowers. Would you like to take a walk with me? ... Great! Let's go!

Dragon: *[appears]* Roar! Roar!

Princess: Oh, no! It's a dragon! What do I do?

Dragon: ROAR!

Princess: *[screams and runs around]*

Dragon: I'm sorry, princess. I didn't mean to scare you!

Princess: You didn't?

Dragon: No. I'm a friendly dragon. I don't like to scare people.

Princess: But you were roaring and stomping around! It was very scary!

Dragon: I'm sorry. I was roaring and stomping around because I'm grumpy.

Princess: Why are you grumpy?

Dragon: Because it's past my bedtime, but I can't fall asleep.

Princess: Have you tried counting sheep?

Dragon: Nope.

Princess: Well, why don't you give it a try?

Dragon: Because – this is embarrassing – I don't know how to count.

Princess: I can teach you how to count.

Dragon: You can? Hooray! I'm going to learn how to count!

Princess: *[turns to children]* Would you like to help me teach the dragon how to count? ... Great! How about we all count to 10 together? Everybody ready? Here we go! 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. Good job, boys and girls! Okay, Dragon, why don't you give it a try?

Dragon: Um...one...five...seven...two...eleven...one million and forty seven. Am I right?

Princess: No. Boys and girls, how about we show the dragon how to count to ten one more time? Everybody ready? Here we go! 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. Okay, Dragon, let's hear you try.

Dragon:
One...two...three...four...five...*[yawns]*...six...seven...eight...nine...ten.
[The dragon starts to snore because counting has put him to sleep.]

Princess: Um, Dragon?

Dragon: *[startles awake]* What? What's going on?

Princess: You did a great job of counting to ten. But it made you fall asleep?

Dragon: I counted to ten?

Princess: Yep!

Dragon: Hooray! I can count to ten! I'm going to go back to my cave, count some sheep and go to bed! Thank you for teaching me how to count, Princess. And thank you, boys and girls! Bye-Bye!

Princess: Well, it's time I went back to the castle. Thank you for counting with me boys and girls. Bye-bye!