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# Spells to banish DRAGONS



We're Story Studio, an award-winning Victoria-based charity that exists to **inspire, educate and empower young writers** through storytelling. For kids from pre-school to high school, our fun workshops and camps do more than teach how to tell a story – we build confidence, encourage creativity and improve literacy and communication skills in youth!

**Everyone has a dragon to face in their life.**  
Look inside, take out your pen, and write a spell (or two) to banish your dragon!



# FACE YOUR DRAGON

What's the biggest dragon in your life?



What are 3 words to describe your dragon?



How do you feel when you face your dragon?



# MY DIAMOND SPELL



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# BE GONE, DRAGON!



## How to write a diamond spell:

You can also write a diamond spell to banish your biggest dragon. A diamond spell is a shape poem with these lines:

- Line 1: Your dragon (one word)
- Line 2: Two describing words about your dragon
- Line 3: Three action words about your dragon
- Line 4: A short phrase about Line 1; a short phrase about Line 7
- Line 5: Three action words about Line 7
- Line 6: Two describing words about Line 7
- Line 7: Your "big" word to banish your dragon

**Hint:** First, choose your words for Line 1 and Line 7. That will make it easier to write your diamond spell!

## An example diamond spell:

### Loneliness

Heavy, gloomy,  
Waiting, looking, despairing.  
Throws you apart; keeps you close.  
Holding, loving, accepting.

Light, warm,  
**Connection.**



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What are **3** things that scare your dragon?

What are **3** things that you can use to make your dragon smaller?

What are **3** things that make you feel brave?



# ACROSTIC SPELL



## How to write an acrostic spell:

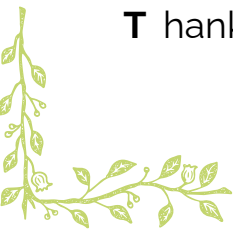
Writer, you have the ingredients you need to banish your dragon! Now, it's time to write an acrostic spell.

An acrostic spell is a special kind of magic! The first letter of every line spells a word or phrase. This word or phrase is the "big" word that will help you banish your dragon!

## An example acrostic spell:

If your dragon is "the dark", you might write an acrostic spell for "light"! (Dragons that live in the dark hate the light!)

**L** amps, help me find my way, and keep the  
**I** nky dark away.  
**G** et me a hand to hold, too,  
**H** ard things are easier with a friend, or two.  
**T** hanks for shining the way forward.



# MY ACROSTIC SPELL

