



MUSEUM OF EARLY
TRADES & CRAFTS

Tale of the Dragon

PRE-VISIT ACTIVITY

Fact versus fiction

Through sharing stories, children learn to differentiate between things that are real and believable and things that are imaginative. Both kinds of stories are entertaining, and both can teach important lessons. Read the class a story that is folklore or myth and another that is based on fact. Discuss the differences and how they can tell.

ADDITIONAL POST-VISIT ACTIVITIES

What was your favorite thing?

After your museum program, have the children discuss their favorite parts of the visit. They can work together to create a large, illustrated banner, or each child can write a few words and include illustrations about the visit.

Talk about your Dragon?

During your visit, each student created their own Dragon. Have your students come up with a story about their Dragon. Will their dragon be a mean and scary dragon like the story of *St. George and the Dragon* (Margaret Hodges 1990)? Or will their dragon be a nice and friendly dragon like in *There's no such thing as a Dragon* (Jack Kent 2009)?

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