How to Ride a Dragon

Have you ever wanted to soar through the sky with the wind in your hair? Does the thought of fighting monsters from the back of a fiery friend fill you with excitement? Well now is your chance! Flying a dragon is incredibly dangerous, but will be the most exhilarating experience of your career as a Dragon Keeper. Read these instructions and you will be soaring and swooping with ease.

What do you need?

- A comfortable saddle
- Flame proof armour (including a helmet)
- A large parachute, to be worn at all times
- A one year old dragon

What you do:

- 1. First, take your dragon to the park because you should have enough space to practice there.
- 2. Next, get dressed into your armour and parachute, for safety.
- 3. After that, sit on your dragon with a straight back and feet pointing down.

Make sure your toes are pointed like a ballerina.

- 4. Finally, talk to your dragon, explaining clearly what you want them to do.
- 5. In the end, you will be airborne and ready to perform stunts with your dragon.

A final note of warning:

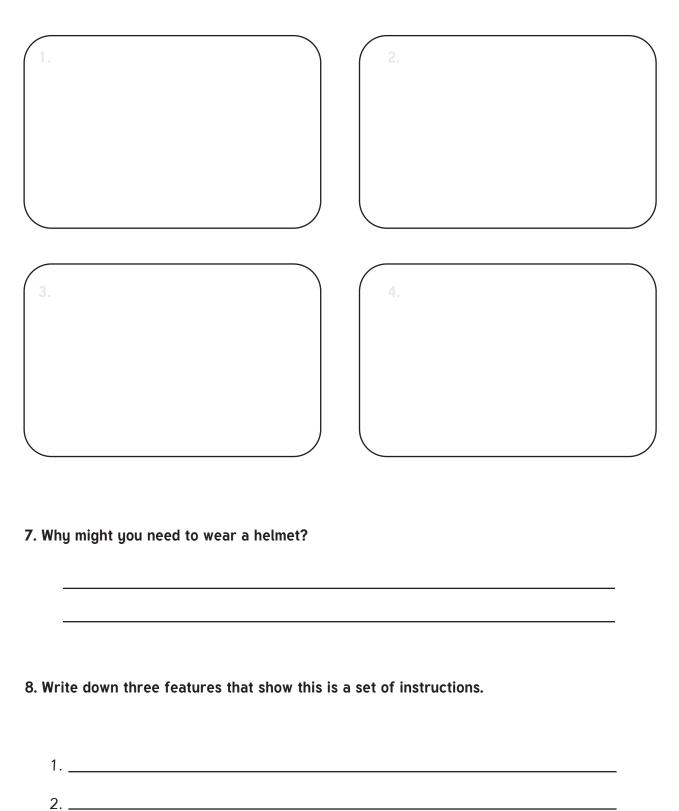
Remember a fully grown dragon can fly at up to 60 miles an hour, so hold on tight and always wear your helmet.

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Because it is incredibly dangerous

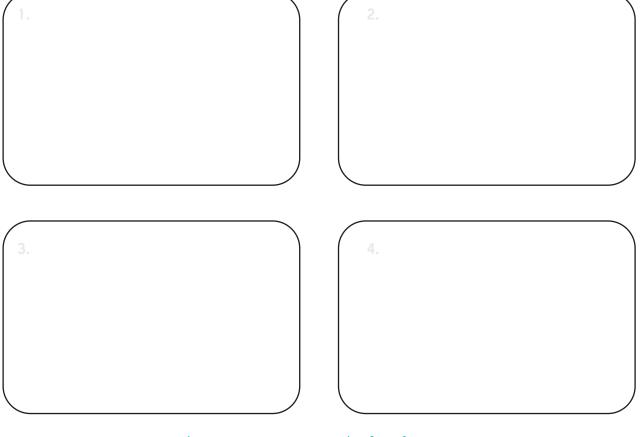
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Because there is enough room to practise there.

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Accept any appropriate drawings to represent the first four instructions.

7. Why might you need to wear a helmet?

Because a dragon can fly at up to 60mph

8. Write down three features that show this is a set of instructions.

1. Accept any from: commands/numbered instructions/what you need section/top

- 2. tips/any other valid feature.
- 3. _____