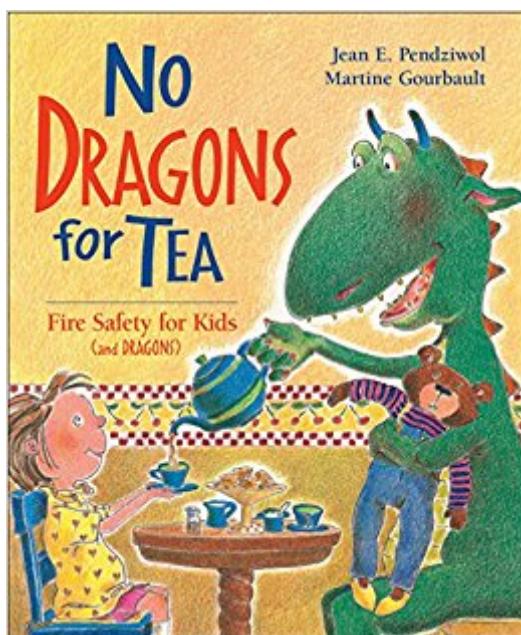


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# No Dragons For Tea: Fire Safety For Kids (and Dragons)



## **Synopsis**

While out for a walk with her mom, a little girl has the surprise of her life --- she meets a real, live, fire-breathing dragon! Now this dragon is nothing to be afraid of --- in fact, he's so friendly that she invites him home for tea. But their afternoon snack is suddenly interrupted when the dragon sneezes and sets the table ablaze. Luckily, the girl knows just what to do, and she teaches her new friend to be fire smart, too. With its funny, rhyming verse and spunky illustrations, *Dragons for Tea* shows kids that learning about fire safety doesn't have to be scary. The story ends with ?The Dragon's Fire Safety Rhyme? --- a fun and easy way to remember what to do in case of fire.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

PreSchool-Grade 2-When a young girl meets a dragon at the beach, she invites him to tea. While they are enjoying a scrumptious meal, the dragon sneezes a fiery sneeze, and flames shoot up from the tablecloth and curtains. The child's new friend panics and tries to hide, but she keeps her cool and helps to get him and her family out of the house safely. The rhyming text has an infectious cadence that should appeal to youngsters. The colored-pencil illustrations are bright and follow the story line well. Tips are appended for teachers and/or parents to use in helping children learn what to do in case of a fire in their homes. In addition, "The Dragon's Fire-Safety Rhyme" helps reinforce

the primary rules. A unique way to introduce a very important subject.Krista Grosick, Cuyahoga County Public Library, OHCopyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This rhyming picture book, subtitled ``Fire Safety for Kids (and Dragons),'' takes a low-key but effective approach to the serious topic of fire safety. A girl invites a dragon home to tea. Pepper on the pickle causes the problem: ``Then the dragon's nose twitched, and he started to wheeze. His eyes misted up, and he blew a great sneeze. A-A-A-Choooooo! . . . Flames shot from his mouth and from both nostrils too.'' The dragon wants to hide under the rug, but the girl wisely drags him outside while her mother goes next door to call the fire department. The fire fighters, men and women, put out the blaze and praise the child for following fire safety rules. Softly colored drawings help convey the message without frightening the children for whom the story is intended. An attractive, useful volume. (Picture book. 3-8) -- Copyright Â©1999, Kirkus Associates, LP. All rights reserved.

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I am a fire inspector and spend part of the year doing public education for K-6th graders in fire safety. I purchased a variety of fire safety educational books to read to kids several years ago in the search for a good educational book. This book has become my favorite, and go to book for reading to kids. It is entertaining, and yet allows me to teach important lessons in fire safety while keeping the attention of my audience on the story. It strikes the right balance between story and fire safety lessons, in a single package. I would definitely recommend it to anyone.

This book was perfect for bringing up the subject of fire safety with our little ones. I'd purchased other books that, after reading them, I realized would scare our rather anxious oldest child (who tends to worry about everything that could possibly happen) more than they would help. This book helped convey the same message in a way that didn't have her fretting over the what ifs and had her talking about fire safety. I would definitely recommend it! My seven year old was a fan and so was my three year old!

I absolutely love this book, and as a Fire Safety Educator, I give it my seal of approval!

This book was amazing! My favorite fire safety book that I've come across. I loved reading it, my fellow teacher loved it, and most important, the kids loved it. It has a really cute story, with some

rhyming, which was great. We'll be using the rhyme from the back of the book long past when we'll have the book out for the kids to read.

My students loved it.

When the Fire Department came to visit my Kindergarten class, the officer read this book to my class. I knew I definitely wanted to have it in my books to read this year for my new class. They were still talking about it weeks later and some of them were role playing at recess the actions of the dragon. Such a positive message presented in such a kid friendly way.

I read this to our girl scout troop as part of their safety badge. We have girls age 5th to 8, and I wasn't sure if the content would be boring for the older girls, but they seemed to enjoy the story just as much as the younger girls. It got them all thinking about what to do in case of a fire, and Made it silly. My daughter is 6 and keeps asking me to read it to her again!

Such a cute informative book! It explains the dangers of fire in a fun but serious enough way so kids aren't scared but wide-eyed as they learn about not hiding during a disaster, meeting at a specific location in case of fire and not going back in to get precious items. Loved this book for my children!

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