



# Danny The Dragon

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Danny the Dragon blew fire everywhere,  
Which hissed through the other dragons, right  
through their hair.

But Danny the Dragon – oh, he didn't care!  
And the other dragons thought it wasn't fair.

If Danny could blow fire, why couldn't they?  
But try as they might, they couldn't find a way.





No fire whooshed out of their nostrils or their mouths,  
So they'd have to figure another way out.

Instead of blowing fire, why couldn't Danny just burp?  
Those other dragons – they had a plan that just might work.



When Danny came along, burning things away,  
Those other dragons, they plotted to lead him  
astray.

To a forest they took him, a surprise promised.  
Where Danny had a meal he very much relished.





A meal of mangoes, a most delicious fruit,  
Tasty to humans, but to dragons – a brute!  
All of it gone, not a single bit left,  
The mango juice had done what it did best.

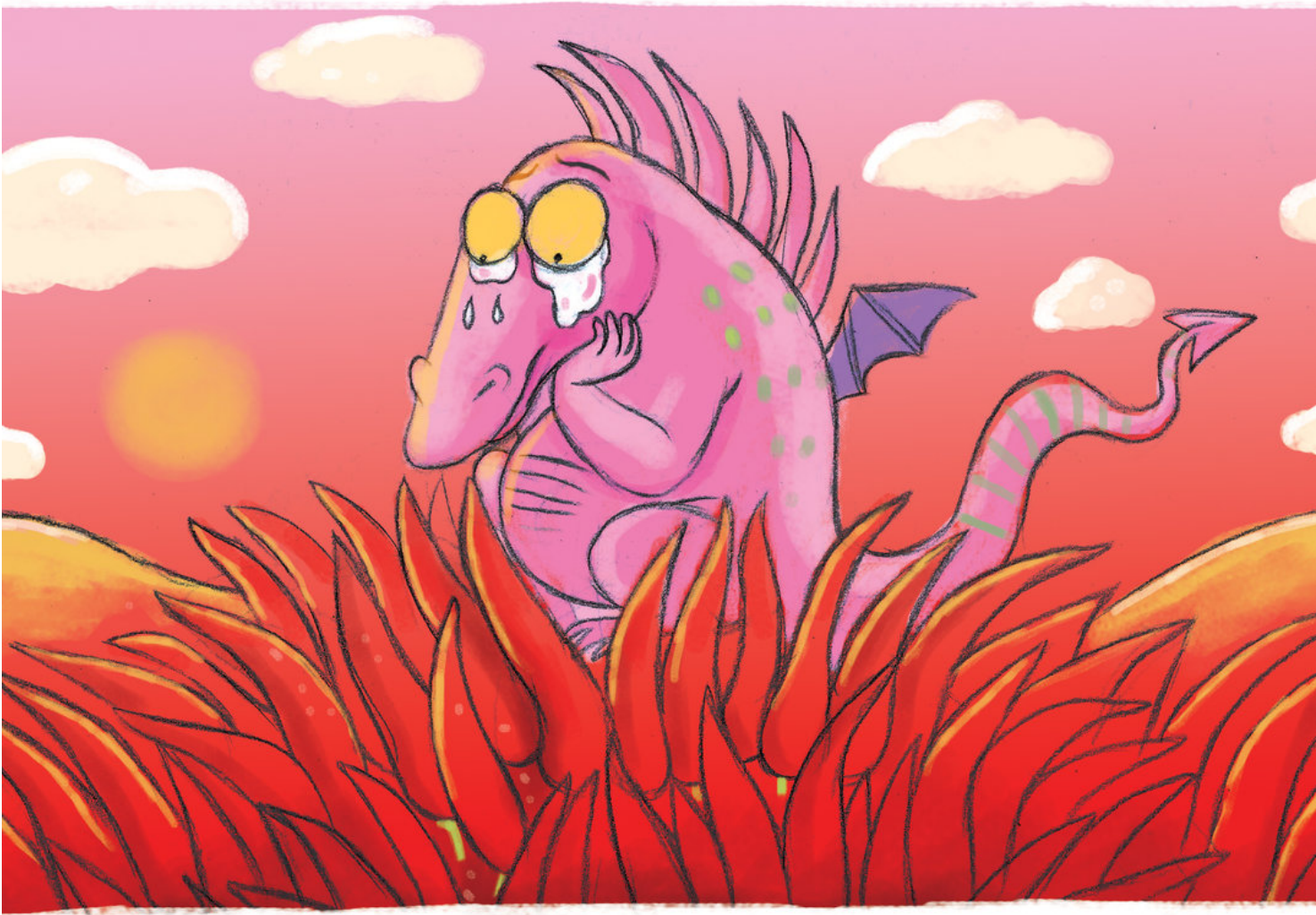


Danny could no longer blow fire and burn things.  
His fire was gone, his best things were now wings.





Danny the Dragon cried sadly,  
“Why did they do this to me?”  
Now all he could do was burp all day,  
With everyone else laughing away.



He flew over and sat in a field of red grass.  
“Why are you so sad?” a voice asked.  
A head popped up, it was the Chilly Monster.  
And Danny realized he had been sitting on Chilly’s  
fur.



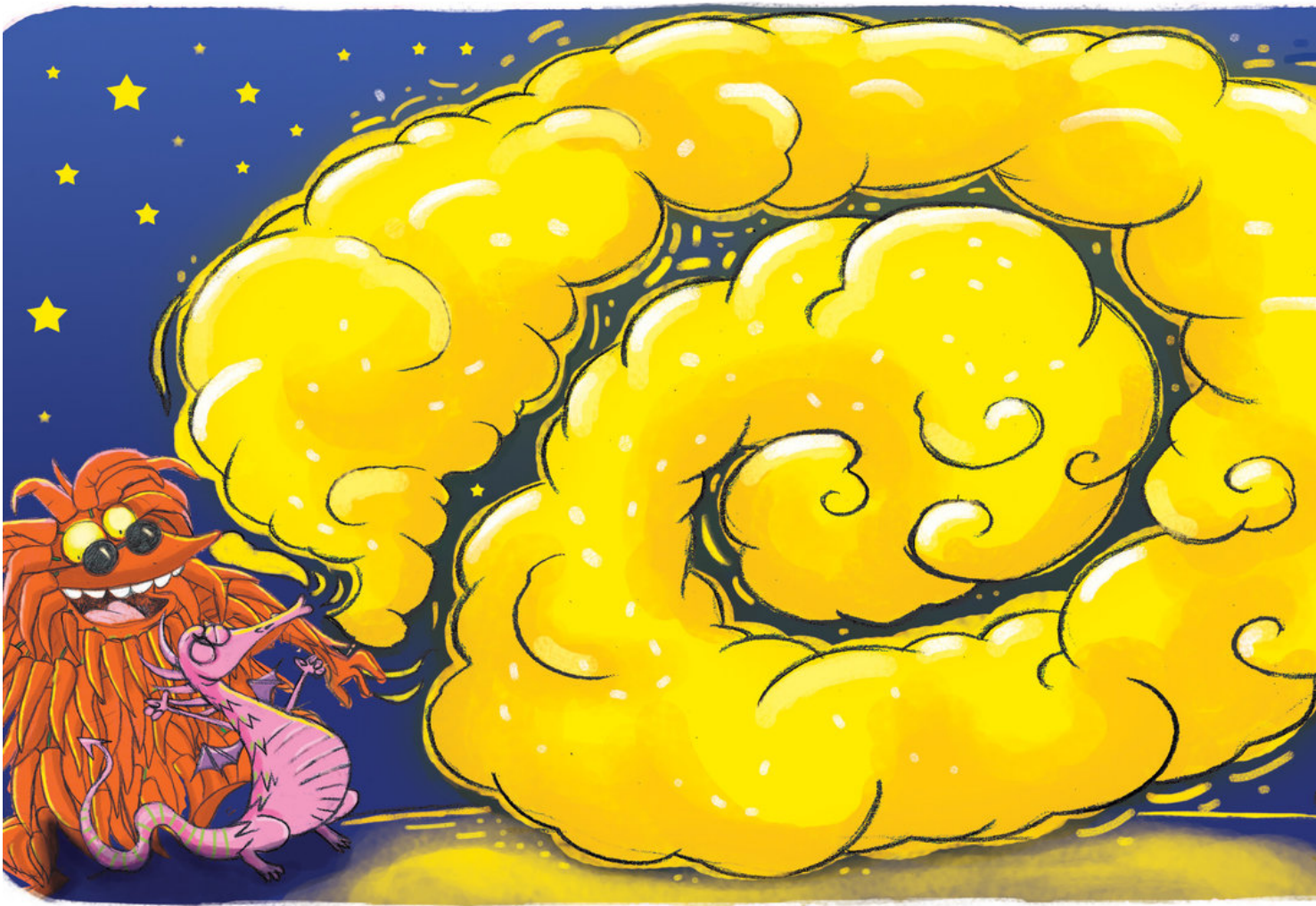


"Those other dragons stole my fire," Danny said.  
"Oh no," said Chilly Monster shaking his head.  
"That's not nice of them, why did they do that?"  
Danny replied, "I burnt their fur and hats."



"I really want my fire back," Danny said.  
"Eat some chillies, ones that are red."  
The monster smiled, picking out some.  
And Danny ate them, still quite glum.





Suddenly, his throat fired up to red-hot.  
The fire was back! Danny felt better. A lot!  
Danny blew the Chilly Monster a fiery thanks and  
flew off.  
For, no longer did he burp or cough.



So the other dragons couldn't tease him,  
He had the fire. Once again, he was King!



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## Danny The Dragon (English)

Danny the Dragon loses his fire. He learns an important lesson as he struggles to get it back.

This is a Level 3 book for children who are ready to read on their own.



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