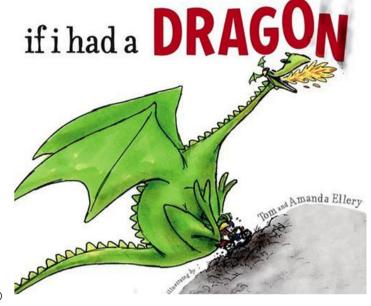


IF I HAD A DRAGON

SUMMARY

Morton's mom tells him to play with his little brother, but he doesn't want to. His brother is too small! He'd rather play with a kite or a bulldozer or... a dragon! But what if his brother is even better than a dragon?



Questions:

- 1. Why do you think Morton doesn't want to play with his brother? Why does his mom want him to? How do you think his little brother feels?
- 2. Would having a new kite be something fun for him? If he already has a kite, how could he turn that into something he can do with his little brother?
- 3. When he wishes his brother was a dragon instead, how do you think that makes his brother feel?
- 4. Would going on a walk with his brother be easier than with a dragon?
- 5. Would playing basketball with his brother be easier than with a dragon?
- 6. Would going swimming with his brother be easier than with a dragon?
- 7. Would playing hide-and-seek with his brother be easier than with a dragon?
- 8. Would going to the movies with his brother be easier than with a dragon?
- 9. Would teaching his brother to whistle be easier than with a dragon?
- 10. Would Morton have more fun with his brother than with a dragon? Then why didn't he want to play with his brother? How do you think he felt when he finally played with his brother? How do you think his brother felt?
- 11. When Morton's mom first asked him to play with his brother, what should he have done? Did saying no and getting upset maybe hurt his brother's feelings or make his mom sad? If he took a minute to think about it before reacting, could he have had fun with his brother without hurting his feelings first?