

The Moon Dragons
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Discussion Points

- 1) The story takes place in a world where once, in ancient times, dragons roamed the earth. However, by the time the story begins only a few dragons remain. Why do you think this might be?
- 2) The king doesn't care about preserving the beauty of the moon dragons. How do you think he became so greedy and selfish?
- 3) Why do you think it is that Alina is the only person who is able to find the moon dragons? What makes her special?
- 4) The people of the kingdom are more interested in the room full of gold that the king offers, than the dragons. How would you persuade them that the dragons are more valuable than the gold?
- 5) One of the most striking images in the story is that of the moon dragons dancing in the moonlight. How do you think the artist has captured the atmosphere of this moment? What colours and techniques has he used?
- 6) Which is your favourite illustration in the book and why?