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The Dragonsitter



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From: Edward Smith-Pickle

To: Morton Pickle

Date: Sunday 31 July

Subject: URGENT!!!!!!!!

Attachments: The dragon



Dear Uncle Morton,

You'd better get on a plane right now and come back here. Your dragon has eaten Jemima.

Emily loved that rabbit!

I know what you're thinking, Uncle Morton. We promised to look after your dragon for a whole week. I know we did. But you never said he would be like this.

Emily's in her bedroom now, crying so loudly the whole street must be able to hear.

Your dragon's sitting on the sofa, licking his claws, looking very pleased with himself.



If you don't come and collect him, Mum is going to phone the zoo. She says she doesn't know what else to do.

I don't want the dragon to live behind bars. I bet you don't, either. But I can't stop Mum. So please come and fetch him.

I'd better go now. I can smell burning.

Eddie