

# THE FLAME

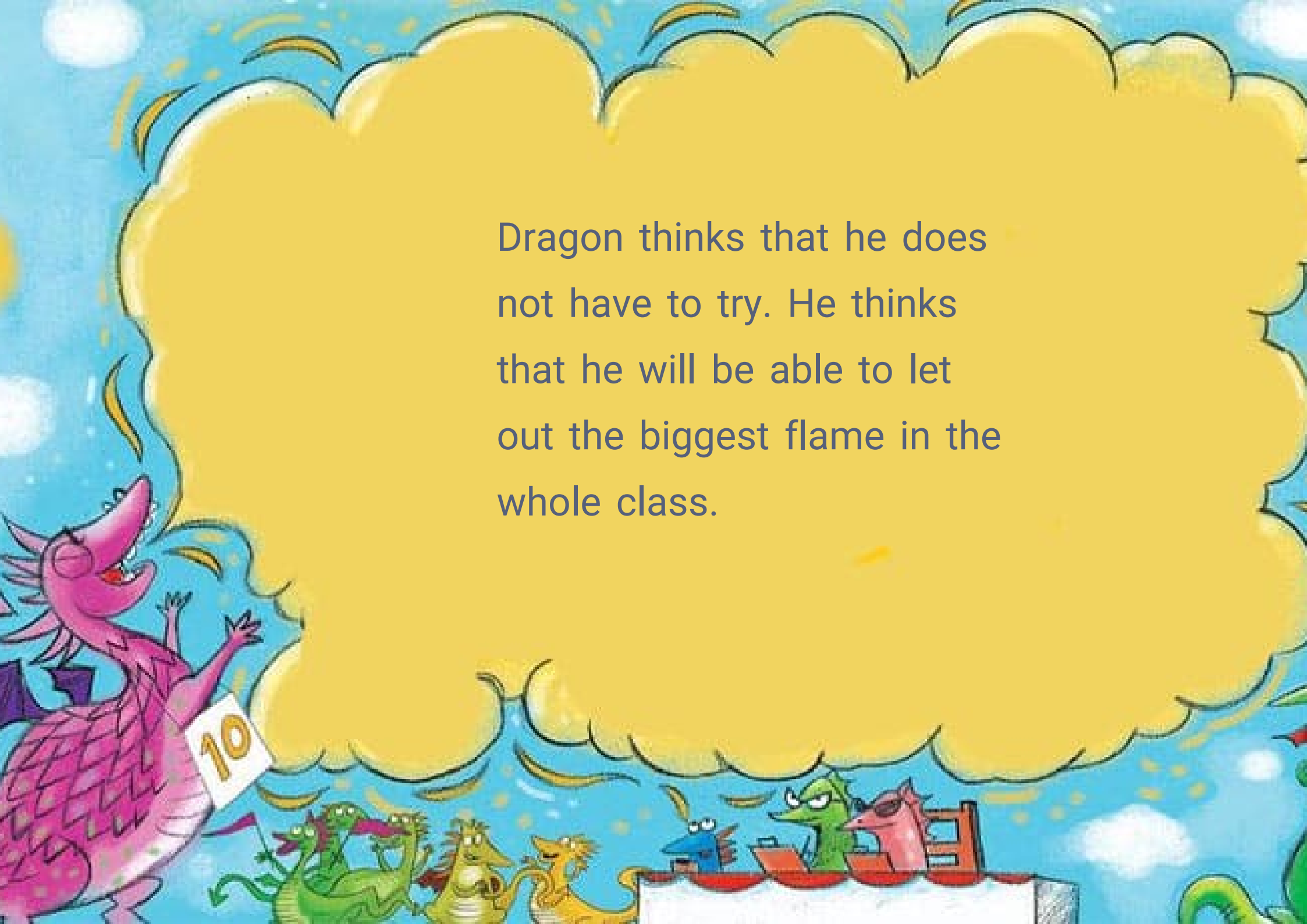


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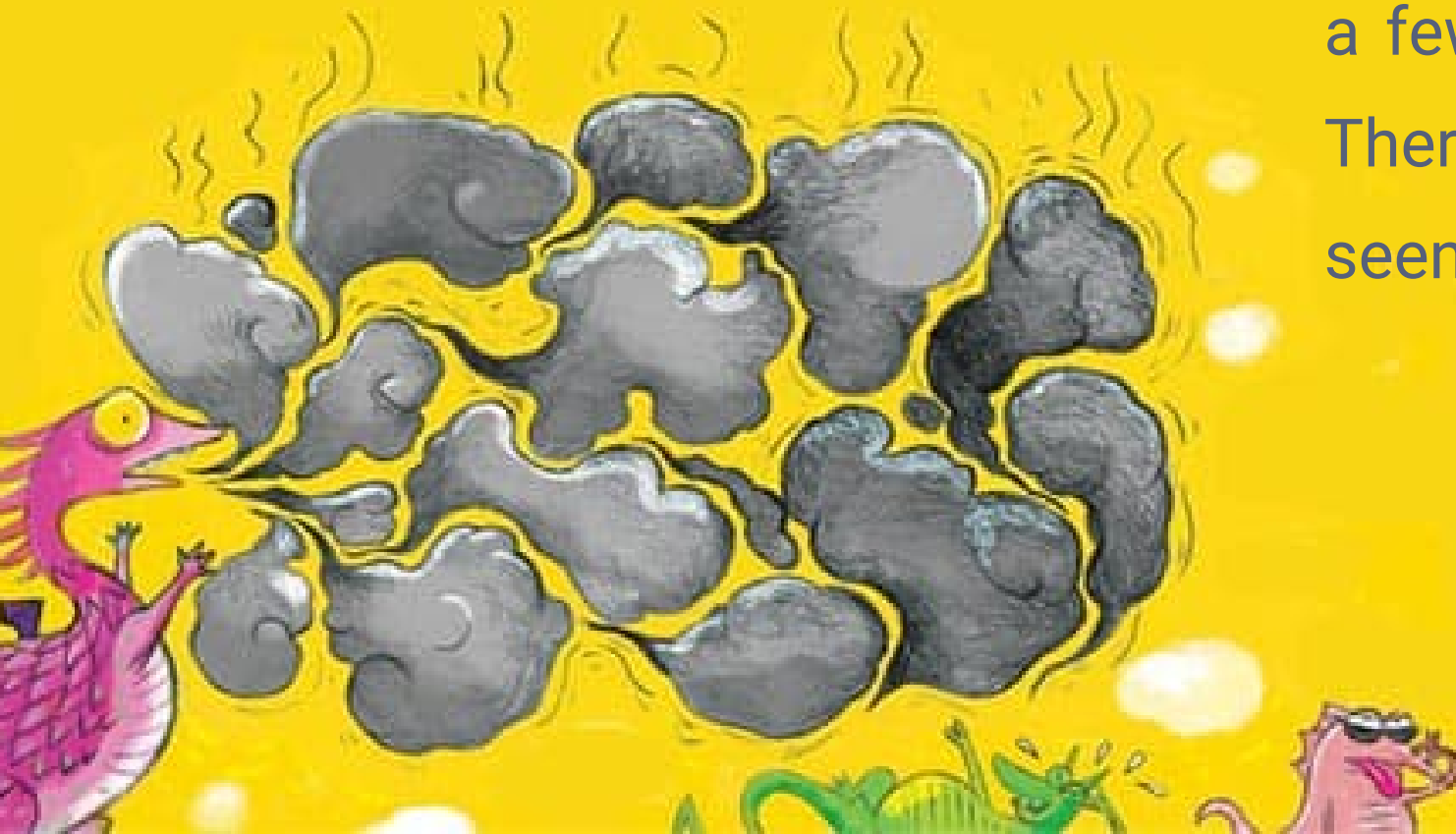


Dragon has his big fire test coming up this week, but he does not want to train. He wants to lay back and eat snacks.

Dragon thinks that he does not have to try. He thinks that he will be able to let out the biggest flame in the whole class.



But when the day of the test comes around, Dragon can only let out a few puffs of smoke. There is no flame to be seen.

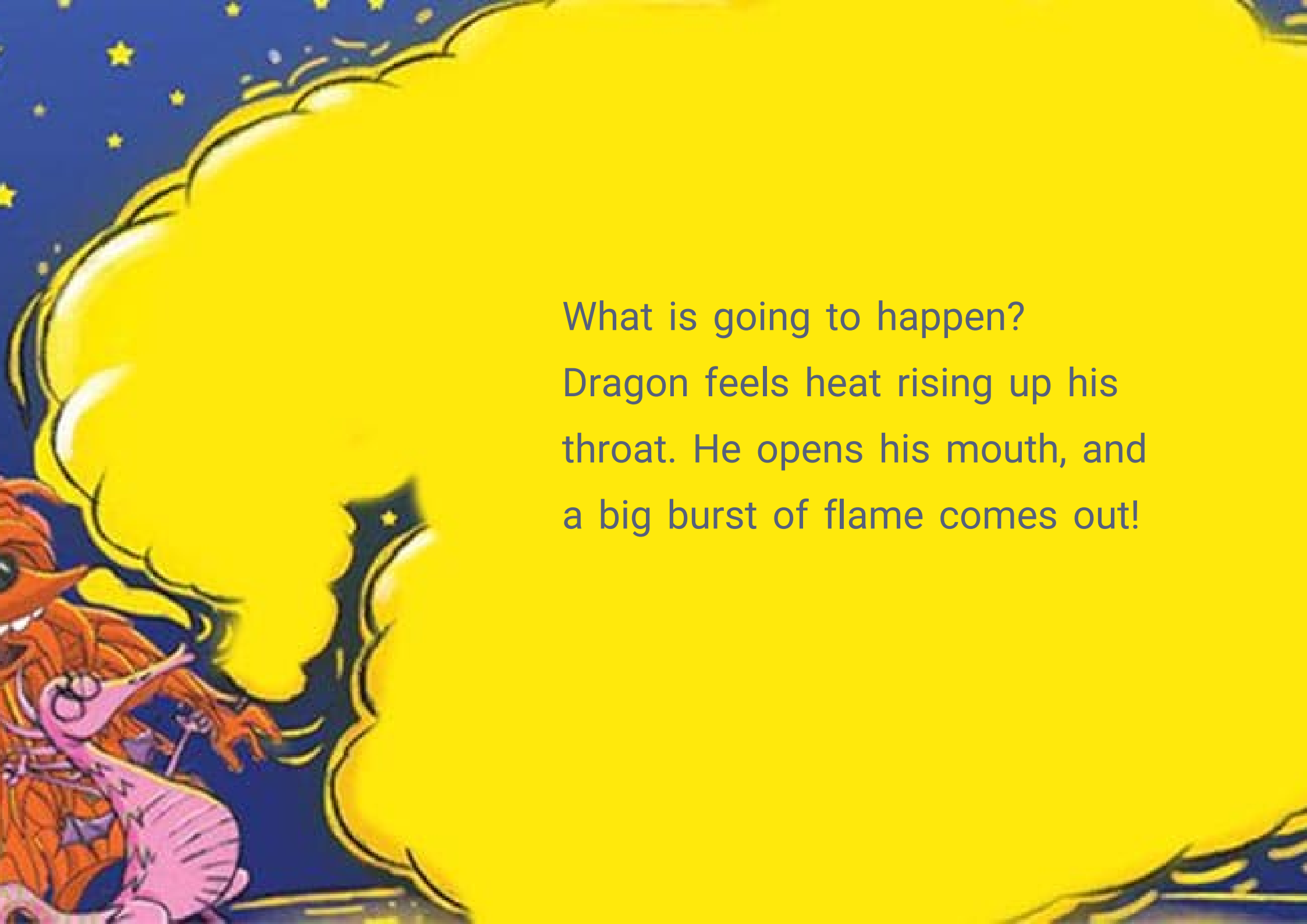


Dragon feels pretty silly. He talked up a big game, and all of his friends saw him fail. Why didn't he spend more time training?



A chilli plant comes to life near Dragon. It offers him a bite. Dragon does love to eat. He gives the chilli a try.





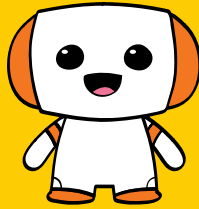
What is going to happen?

Dragon feels heat rising up his throat. He opens his mouth, and a big burst of flame comes out!

Dragon asks if he can do the test again. He is allowed. Dragon does the best out of the whole class! He gets the job of leading the boats to shore.







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