

# Year of the Dragon



Every twelve years,  
a kind dragon comes.

It flies in the sky.  
It brings good luck.

People see it and smile.  
The dragon makes them happy.

It stays for one day.  
Then it flies away.

We wait for it again.  
To feel lucky and happy.

## CEFR Level Card

**General Level:** A1.8 (excluding the word 'dragon')

**Vocabulary:** A1.1

**Verb Forms:** A1.0

**Sentences:** A1.3

## Vocabulary

**bring** VERB A1 x1

Definition (En):

- v.** take something or somebody with oneself somewhere
- v.** cause to come into a particular state or condition
- v.** cause to happen or to occur as a consequence
- v.** go or come after and bring or take back

**kind** NOUN A1 x1

Definition (En):

- n.** a category of things distinguished by some common characteristic or quality
- a.** having or showing a tender and considerate and helpful nature; used especially of persons and their behavior
- s.** agreeable, conducive to comfort
- s.** tolerant and forgiving under provocation

**year** NOUN A1 x1

Definition (En):

- n.** a period of time containing 365 (or 366) days
- n.** a period of time occupying a regular part of a calendar year that is used for some particular activity
- n.** the period of time that it takes for a planet (as, e.g., Earth or Mars) to make a complete revolution around the sun

**luck** NOUN A2 x1

Definition (En):

**n.** an unknown and unpredictable phenomenon that causes an event to result one way rather than another

**n.** an unknown and unpredictable phenomenon that leads to a favorable outcome

**lucky** ADJ A2 1

Definition (En):

**s.** occurring by chance

**a.** having or bringing good fortune

**sky** NOUN A2 x1

Definition (En):

**n.** the atmosphere and outer space as viewed from the earth

**dragon** NOUN C2 x2

Definition (En):

**n.** a creature of Teutonic mythology; usually represented as breathing fire and having a reptilian body and sometimes wings

**n.** a fiercely vigilant and unpleasant woman

**n.** any of several small tropical Asian lizards capable of gliding by spreading winglike membranes on each side of the body

## Phrases

PHRASE	COUNT	SENTENCES
good luck	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It brings <b>good luck</b>.</li> </ul>

# Reading Comprehension Exercises

## True / False

1. The dragon visits every ten years.
2. The dragon can be seen on the ground.
3. Seeing the dragon makes people feel cheerful.
4. The dragon stays for more than one day.
5. The dragon arrives to bring bad luck.
6. People have to wait for a long time before the dragon comes back.
7. When the dragon leaves, people feel sad and unlucky.

## Multiple Choice

1. What do people do when they see the dragon?
  - A) They run away.
  - B) They smile.
  - C) They sleep.
  - D) They cry.
  
2. How long does the dragon stay?
  - A) One week.
  - B) One year.
  - C) One day.
  - D) One hour.
  
3. What does the dragon bring?
  - A) Rain.
  - B) Friends.
  - C) Good luck.
  - D) Music.
  
4. What happens after the dragon's visit?
  - A) The dragon stays forever.
  - B) People leave the town.
  - C) It flies away.
  - D) The sky falls down.
  
5. Why do people wait for the dragon?
  - A) To play games.
  - B) To get gifts.
  - C) To take pictures.
  - D) To feel lucky and happy.
  
6. How does the dragon make people feel?
  - A) The dragon makes them sad.
  - B) The dragon makes them read books.
  - C) The dragon makes them sing songs.
  - D) The dragon makes them happy.
  
7. How often does the kind dragon come?
  - A) Every month.
  - B) Every twelve years.
  - C) Every day.
  - D) Every summer.

## Short Answer

1. How often does the kind dragon come?
2. What does the dragon do when it comes?
3. What is the reaction of people when they see the dragon?
4. How long does the dragon stay?
5. What happens after the dragon stays for one day?
6. What do people do after the dragon flies away?
7. Why do people wait for the dragon?

## Multiple Choice Cloze

Every twelve years,  
a kind \_\_\_1\_\_\_ comes.

It \_\_\_2\_\_\_ in the sky.  
It brings good \_\_\_3\_\_\_.

People see it and \_\_\_4\_\_\_.  
The dragon makes them \_\_\_5\_\_\_.

It stays for \_\_\_6\_\_\_ day.  
Then it flies away.

We wait for it again.  
To feel lucky and \_\_\_7\_\_\_.

- 1) A. dragon B. bird C. plane D. star
- 2) A. flaps B. flies C. walks D. jumps
- 3) A. chance B. luck C. game D. play
- 4) A. frown B. cry C. smile D. yell
- 5) A. sad B. angry C. hungry D. happy
- 6) A. one B. two C. three D. four
- 7) A. sad B. angry C. happy D. silent

# Exercise Answers

## True / False Answers

### 1. False

Explanation: The text says the dragon comes every twelve years, not ten.  
("Every twelve years.")

### 2. False

Explanation: The text states that the dragon flies in the sky, which means it is not seen on the ground.  
("It flies in the sky.")

### 3. True

Explanation: The text indicates that seeing the dragon causes people to smile and feel happy.  
("People see it and smile. The dragon makes them happy.")

### 4. False

Explanation: According to the text, the dragon stays for only one day.  
("It stays for one day.")

### 5. False

Explanation: The text clearly mentions that the dragon brings good luck, not bad luck.  
("It brings good luck.")

### 6. True

Explanation: The text suggests that people wait for the dragon to return, which implies a long wait since it comes every twelve years.  
("We wait for it again.")

### 7. False

Explanation: The text does not say that people feel sad and unlucky when the dragon leaves; it says people wait for it to feel lucky and happy again.  
("To feel lucky and happy.")



## Multiple Choice Answers

**1. B**

Explanation: The text directly states that people 'see it and smile' which indicates they are happy to see the dragon.

("People see it and smile.")

**2. C**

Explanation: The text says 'It stays for one day,' which tells us the duration of the dragon's visit.

("It stays for one day.")

**3. C**

Explanation: The text mentions 'It brings good luck,' indicating that good luck is what the dragon brings.

("It brings good luck.")

**4. C**

Explanation: According to the text 'Then it flies away,' this happens after the dragon's visit.

("Then it flies away.")

**5. D**

Explanation: The last part of the text 'To feel lucky and happy' explains why people wait for the dragon.

("We wait for it again. To feel lucky and happy.")

**6. D**

Explanation: The text explicitly states that 'The dragon makes them happy' to describe people's feelings towards the dragon.

("The dragon makes them happy.")

**7. B**

Explanation: The first line of the text tells us that the kind dragon comes 'Every twelve years,' which is the frequency of its visits.

("Every twelve years, a kind dragon comes.")

## Short Answer Answers

**1. Every twelve years.**

Explanation: The text states the frequency of the dragon's visit in the first line.  
("Every twelve years,")

**2. Brings good luck.**

Explanation: The dragon's action of bringing good luck is mentioned in the second stanza.  
("It brings good luck.")

**3. They smile.**

Explanation: The text shows the reaction of the people in the third stanza where it says they smile.  
("People see it and smile.")

**4. For one day.**

Explanation: The duration of the dragon's stay is given in the fourth stanza.  
("It stays for one day.")

**5. It flies away.**

Explanation: The action of the dragon flying away after staying for a day is mentioned in the fifth stanza.  
("Then it flies away.")

**6. Wait for it again.**

Explanation: The text describes the action people take after the dragon leaves in the last stanza.  
("We wait for it again.")

**7. To feel lucky and happy.**

Explanation: The reason people wait for the dragon is to feel emotions, which is stated in the last line of the text.  
("To feel lucky and happy.")

## Multiple Choice Cloze Answers

**1. A**

Explanation: The correct answer is 'dragon'. The text speaks of a kind dragon.

**2. B**

Explanation: The correct answer is 'flies'. 'It flies in the sky' matches the rest of the text.

**3. B**

Explanation: The correct answer is 'luck'. The dragon is said to bring good luck.

**4. C**

Explanation: The correct answer is 'smile'. 'People see it and smile' is from the original text.

**5. D**

Explanation: The correct answer is 'happy'. The dragon is said to make them happy.

**6. A**

Explanation: The correct answer is 'one'. The text says 'It stays for one day'.

**7. C**

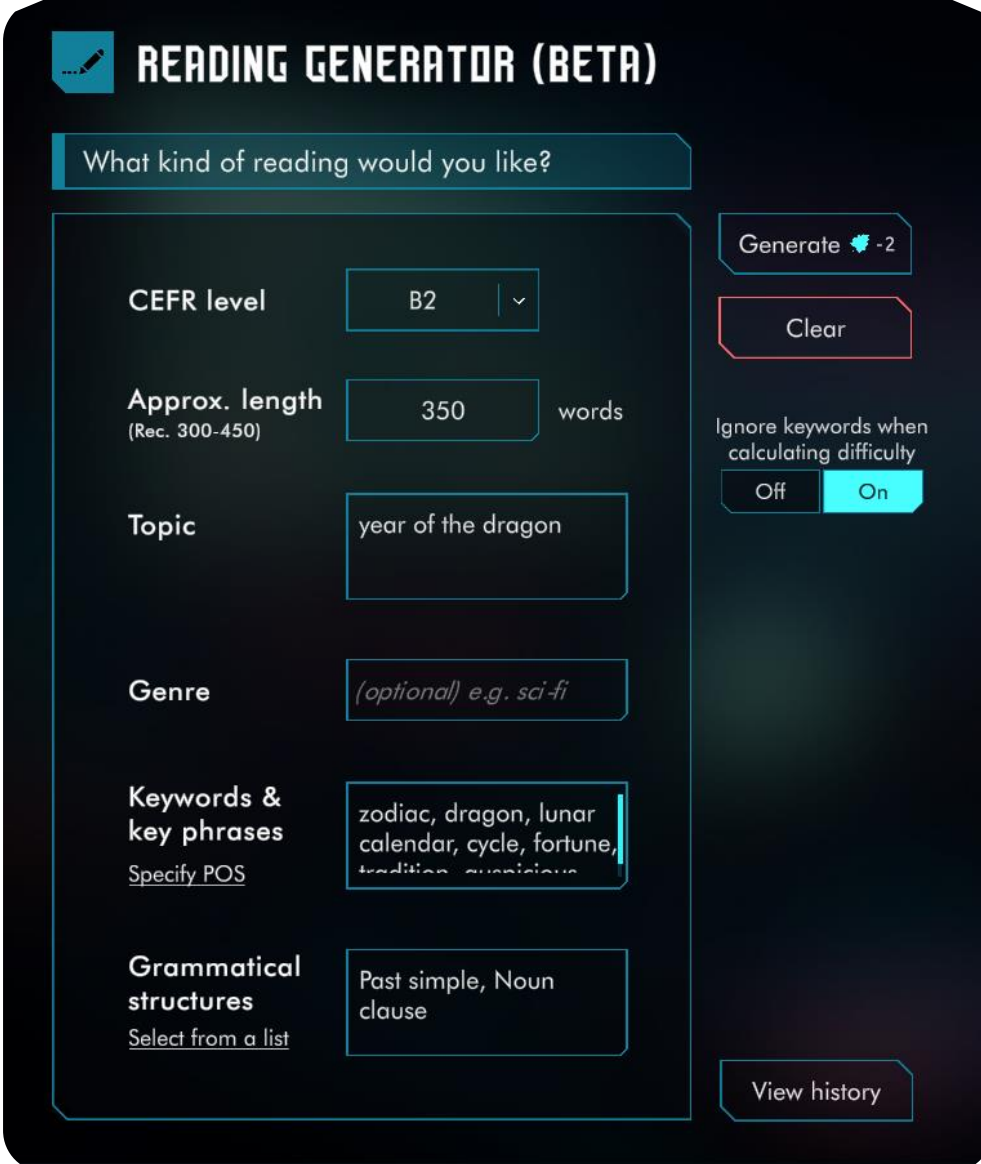
Explanation: The correct answer is 'happy'. The text wants people to feel lucky and happy again.

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