From: Edward Smith-Pickle

To: Morton Pickle

Date: Monday 8 August **Subject:** Au revoir



Attachments: Mum and her gun

Dear Uncle Morton,

I hope you had a good journey home. Did the dragon behave himself on the train?

Mum put up the new curtains and she's ordered another fridge from the shop. She says she never liked the petunias and she's decided to plant roses instead. She's going to spend the rest of your money on a new carpet for all our bedrooms.

She loves the cheese, by the way.

I don't. It smells awful. Sorry for saying so, but it does.

Emily says "thank you" for the monkey. She says he's almost as good as Jemima. I think he's even better. At least he doesn't need feeding. Also he can sleep in her bed instead of that cage at the end of the garden.

And thanks very much for the books. They'll be really useful if I ever learn French.

You know your list of instructions? Well, Mum finally found them down the back of the sofa. We've read them now. You did say the thing about chocolate, and lots of other useful stuff too. If only we'd found them before!

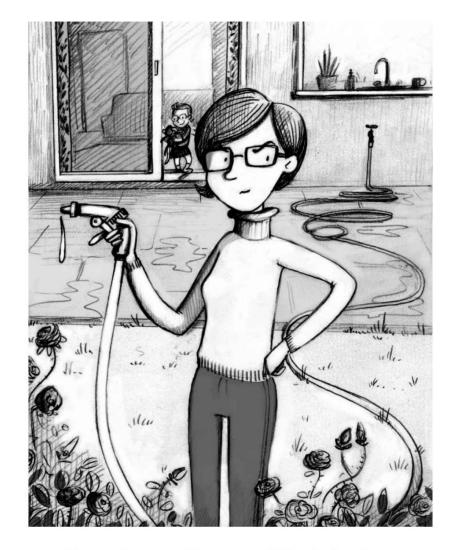
Mum says she thinks you just put them down there when you came to collect the dragon, but I told her not to be so silly.

Mrs Kapelski's cats have started coming into the garden again. Mum chased them

out with a hose. She said, "I wish that dragon was still here." Then she looked at me very quickly and said, "I don't really."

But I think she does.

I do too.



He made everything very difficult, but he was fun too.

I hope you're having a lovely time back home on your island.

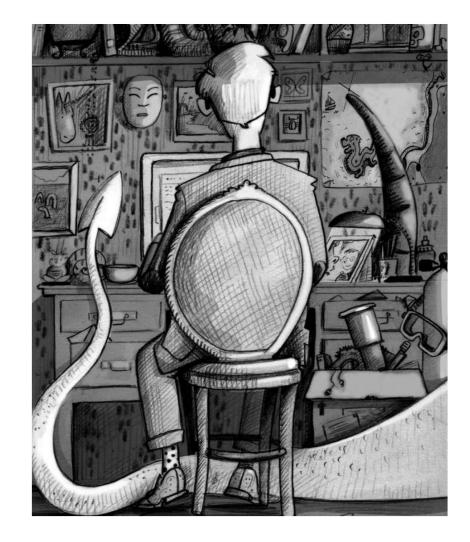
By the way, when I said I'd like to come and visit, I really did mean it.

Will you send an official invitation to Mum? Otherwise she's never going to let me.

Emily would like to come too, but I told her she's too young. She is, isn't she? She might fall off a cliff or something.

Lots of love from your favourite nephew, Eddie

PS. Please give Ziggy a Malteser from me.



Task – Write a book review for 'The Dragonsitter' by Josh Lacey.

See the example on the class page.