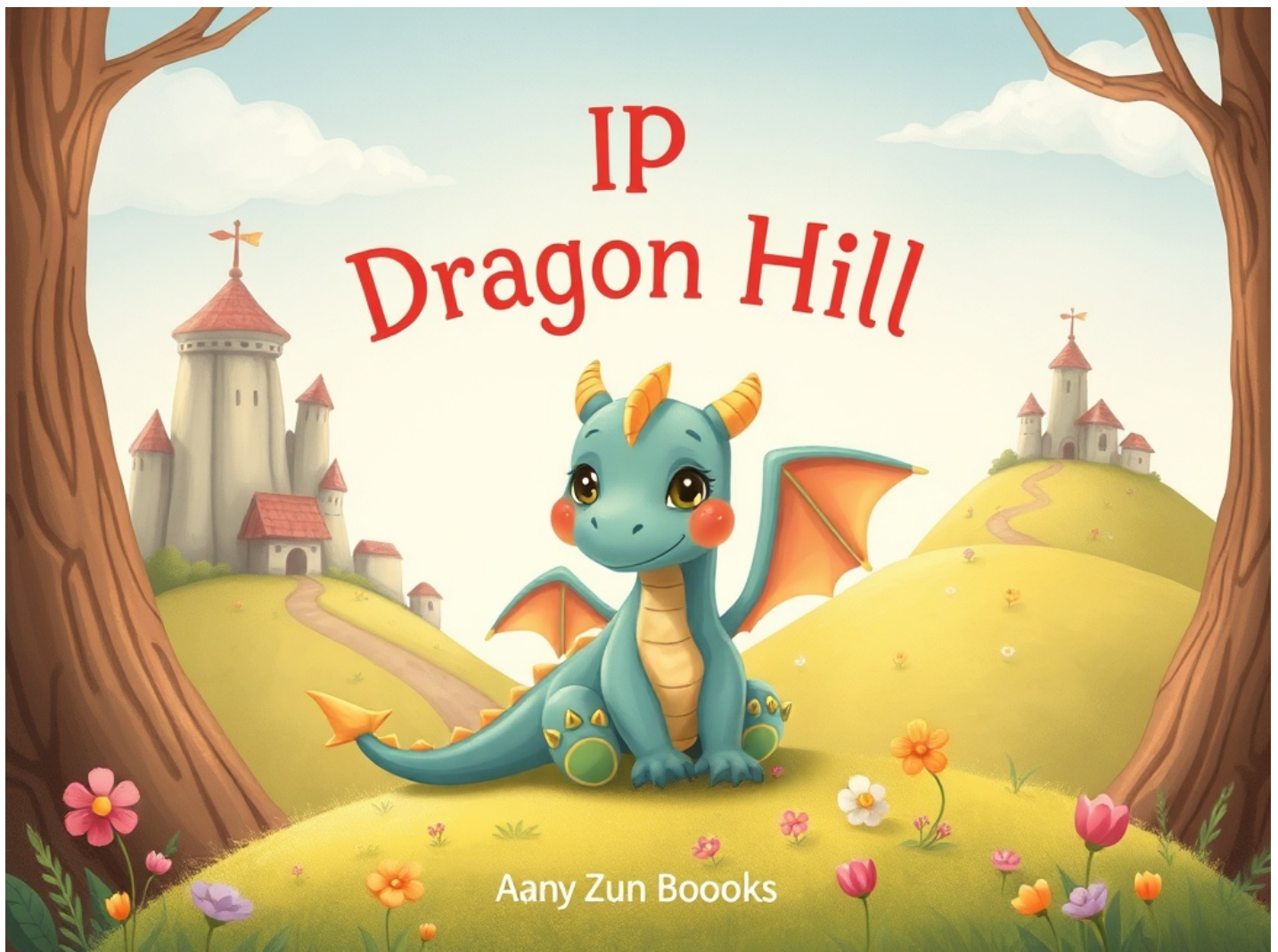


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A 2-minute kids story · ages 4-8



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Once upon a time, on Dragon Hill, there lived a baby dragon named Pip. Pip was small and green, with shiny wings and a cheerful smile. But there was one thing that made Pip different from other dragons. Pip was afraid of fire. While other dragons breathed fire and lit up the night sky, Pip stayed close to the cool, green grass.

One sunny day, Pip watched his friends practice flying high and breathing fire. "Whoosh!" went Blaze, the biggest dragon, as he sent flames dancing into the air. "Look at me!" he roared. Pip felt a little tingle of fear. He wished he could fly and breathe fire too, but he just couldn't find the courage.

Pip's friends noticed him watching from the grass. They soared down to him, their wings shimmering. "Why don't you join us, Pip?" asked Daisy, the clever dragon. "It's fun to try new things!" Pip nodded but felt his heart flutter. "I can't breathe fire like you," he whispered.

Blaze thought for a moment and smiled. "We can help you! Let's practice together!" His words made Pip feel a little brave. Pip took a deep breath and followed his friends to a soft patch of land beneath a big oak tree.

With each practice, Pip watched the others breathe fire. They clapped their wings and cheered for him. "You can do it!" they encouraged. Slowly, with a little wiggle in his belly, Pip tried. A tiny puff of smoke came out, and everyone roared with laughter and joy.

Pip felt warm inside. Step by step, with the help of his friends, he learned to face his fear. At last, with a big whoosh, a little flame flickered from his mouth, lighting the air with a soft glow. He looked at his friends, and they danced around him, celebrating his bravery.

From that day on, Pip knew he could face anything with the help of his friends. Together, they laughed and played, lighting up the sky with their fiery smiles. And Pip realized that sometimes, having a little help is all you need to discover how brave you really are.