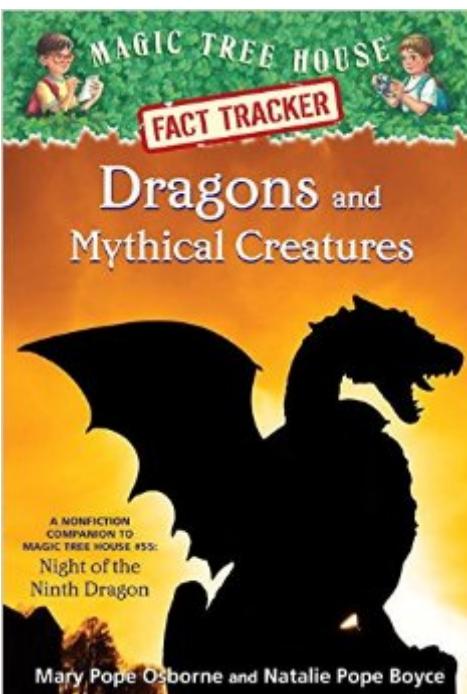


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# Dragons And Mythical Creatures (Magic Tree House (R) Fact Tracker)



## **Synopsis**

Track the facts about dragons, unicorns, mermaids, and more! "with Jack and Annie! When Jack and Annie came back from their adventure in Magic Tree House #55: Night of the Ninth Dragon, they had lots of questions. What do tales about dragons have in common? Are mermaids real? How do unicorns use their horns? Find out the answers to these questions and more as Jack and Annie track the facts about their favorite creatures from myths and legends. And just what might some of those creature sightings really be? Filled with up-to-date information, photographs, illustrations, and fun tidbits from Jack and Annie, the Magic Tree House Fact Trackers are the perfect way for kids to find out more about the topics they discover in their favorite Magic Tree House adventures. And teachers can use the Fact Trackers alongside their Magic Tree House fiction companions to meet Common Core text pairing needs. Have more fun with Jack and Annie on the Magic Tree House website at [MagicTreeHouse.com](http://MagicTreeHouse.com)! From the Trade Paperback edition.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Mary Pope Osborne and Natalie Pope Osborne delve into the history and science behind several mysterious creatures in their MAGIC TREE HOUSE FACT TRACKER: Dragons and Mythical Creatures. This book, written as a nonfiction companion to NIGHT OF THE NINTH DRAGON

(Magic Tree House, No. 55), will not spoil anyone's imagination regarding many famous monsters and magical beings. In fact, it might even lead the reader to think more carefully about the possibly *æereal* • existence of dragons, mermaids, unicorns and more. For example, the famed kraken, a many-armed sea monster supposedly spotted by sailors for hundreds of years, is likely to still lurk in the ocean to this day. The only difference, as pointed out by the authors, is that we now refer to it as the giant squid. Many hooved, one-horned creatures across Europe and Asia might have inspired early reports of unicorns. Although their depictions have changed over time, one could argue that they are still based on very real animals. In addition to exploring many of the well-known creatures of European lore, the Osbornes provide the reader with information regarding a variety of monsters, spirits and animal gods from around the world. They describe the wise kitsune, or magical foxes, in Japanese folklore, the riddling Sphinx of Ancient Egyptian and Greek myths, and the fearsome and speedy leucrocuta of Africa. They discuss the importance of animals in creation myths, sharing Iroquois and Mohave accounts of how the world was created. Many interesting (and definitely real) humans are mentioned in this book. Some names are likely to be familiar to the reader, such as Christopher Columbus, Queen Elizabeth and perhaps even P.T. Barnum, early circus pioneer.

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