

The Legend of Saint George and the Dragon

Narrator In the year 303, a boy named George ...

People Yay!

Narrator ...was born in Cappadocia. When he was seventeen, George...

People Yay!

Narrator ...enlisted in the army and became known for
People King who?

King King Hugh! I love my people and I would do anything for them.

People Anything?

King Anything!

Narrator In a lake near the city, there lived a dragon...

People Booooo!

Dragon Groar! Groar! Groar!

Narrator The dragon...

People Booooo!

his bravery.

George My name is George...

People Yay!

George ...and I am brave, courageous and bold.

Narrator Long live his fame, and long live his glory and long may his story be told. Meanwhile, in a city called Selem, there lived a king named Hugh.

King I am King Hugh. 1

Narrator ... was a very hungry fellow. So hungry was he that he told the King... that unless he was fed two sheep a day, he would destroy the city.

King You mean we have to feed you two sheep every day?

Dragon Give me two ewe, or I'll eat you, too, Hugh.

King You'll eat who?

Narrator Whom! 2
King What?

Narrator Whom...you'll eat whom.

King Who is Whom?

Narrator Never mind, Hugh.

King Who?

Dragon Give me my mutton for I am a glutton!

King Very well.

Narrator The King sadly returned to his castle and wrote a decree that every day, the dragon...

People Booooo!

Dragon Who are you?

King I am Hugh!

Dragon You are me?

Narrator I!

Dragon & King What?

Narrator I! You are I.

Dragon & King You are who?

Narrator Just forget it and get on with the story.

King I am King Hugh... coming to tell you... that we have no more sheep... because of your

Narrator ...was to be fed two sheep. This went on for quite some time. One day, the King went to the lake to visit the dragon...

People Boooooo!

Narrator ...Oh, Dragon!...

People Boooooo!

Dragon Groar! Who is there?

King Hugh! 3
hunger deep.

Dragon Groar! Feed me more, or you'll be lore.

King But, we have no more sheep!

Dragon Hmmmmm. I'll tell you what... sheep are tasty but not very filling. Give me something else, if you are willing.

King But, what? 4

Dragon I'll tell you what fills my belly better than lamb from the deli. With this delight, my hunger will take flight... for at least a fortnight.

Narrator That's two weeks.

King I know that.

Narrator But, maybe they don't. (Pointing to people)

King Dragon, Dragon...

People Booooo! Boooo!

King ...in the lake, tell me for my people's sake. I will do whatever it will take! Tell me for my people's sake!

Dragon Exactly!
Dragon You have no choice, oh royal voice. Give me what I want or forever your village I will haunt!

King But, how can I choose which person to lose?

Dragon Why not try a lottery? That's the way it ought 'er be!

King Very well. A lottery it will be, with everyone included...except for me.

Narrator And so, the King proclaimed a royal decree that every member of the village, without exception (that is, except for the King) would draw straws. The person who chose the short straw would be the first to be fed to the dragon.

People Booooo!

Narrator The very next day, everyone in the village gathered in the town square. A huge bail of

King Exactly, what?

Dragon Your people! When I eat a sheep I'm still voracious. But, if I eat a person, that fills me up, oh, gracious!

King Oh, no, not my folk! On them, I hope you'll choke!

hay had been cut into equal size pieces, except for one. All the members of the village filed by and chose a straw.

Now, the King had a beautiful daughter, Princess Cleolinda....

People Awwww!

Narrator She was the last to draw a straw. Much to the King's dismay, the Princess... 6

People Awwww!

Narrator ...was the one who had the shortest straw!

People Ohhhhhh!

Narrator The King was beside himself with grief.

King Oh, no. This cannot be! I cannot give up my little sweet pea!

Cleolinda But, father, your vowed. My sacrifice must be

allowed.

People Ohhhhhhh!

Narrator And so, the King resigned himself to the loss of his daughter. But, that very afternoon, a stranger rode into town on a big white horse. It was George.

People Yay!

Narrator George was shocked. Being brave, courageous and bold, he rode straight to the King. 7

George Your majesty, your Majesty. This cannot be, this cannot be. Let me slay the Dragon...

People Boooo!

George ...I'll fix his wagon!

People Yay!

King But, who are you? Are you a warrior true? And why would you do this any way? Surely it would spoil your day.

George Your Majesty, I am George...

People Yay!

George ...a soldier, brave, courageous and bold. And I am also a Christian, if truth be told. I am a faithful follower of Jesus, and if Your

Narrator George saw that the people were all sad. He asked why.

George Why, oh, why, do you moan and cry?

People Our beloved Princess Cleolinda... awww... is going to be eaten by the Dragon... boooo!

Majesty pleases... I would gladly risk my life for your child, by slaying that Dragon wild.

People Boooooo! Hooray!

King Young sir, I am royally moved by your bravery, to offer to free us from slavery, and save my daughter to boot... so, for you we shall root. Hip. Hip. Hooray!

People Hip. Hip. Hooray!

Narrator Early the next morning, just at the time that Princess Cleolinda...

People Awww!

Narrator ... was to be fed to the Dragon...

People Booooo!

Narrator Brave Saint George...

People Yay!

Narrator	...sharpened his lance, mounted his mighty steed and rode out to meet the Dragon.	breakfast dainty will be the Princess...
People	Booooo!	People Awww!
Dragon	Groar! I'm hungry. My lips I'm smacking, because food I'm lacking, and today my	Dragon ...slightly fainty. But, hark! I see a lad with sharpened lance, against me he hasn't a chance.
Narrator	But, George...	Dragon Coises! Foiled again!
People	Hooray!	Cleolinda You saved my life, and our village from strife. You really saved the day!
Narrator	...knew that on his side were truth, justice and the American, er, I mean, the Christian way! With one swift thrust, St. George...	King What can we ever do to repay? 10 George Greater love has no man than this ... that he lay down his life for his friends. Jesus gave his life for me; I gave my life to him. If you wish to repay, then let this be the day, that you give your lives to the Lord, and new life walk toward.
People	Hooray!	King So be it!
Narrator	...slew the Dragon!	Cleolinda Right on!
People	Boooooo!	Narrator And they all lived happily ever after. Amen.
Dragon	Oooooo! Ouch! Ouch! Oooooo! Croak!	
People	Hip. Hip. Hooray!	
Narrator	All the townspeople ran out to see the brave soldier and the beast, now deceased.	
King	Young man, you have my thanks! You're even better than Tom Hanks!	
Cleolinda	My hero!	