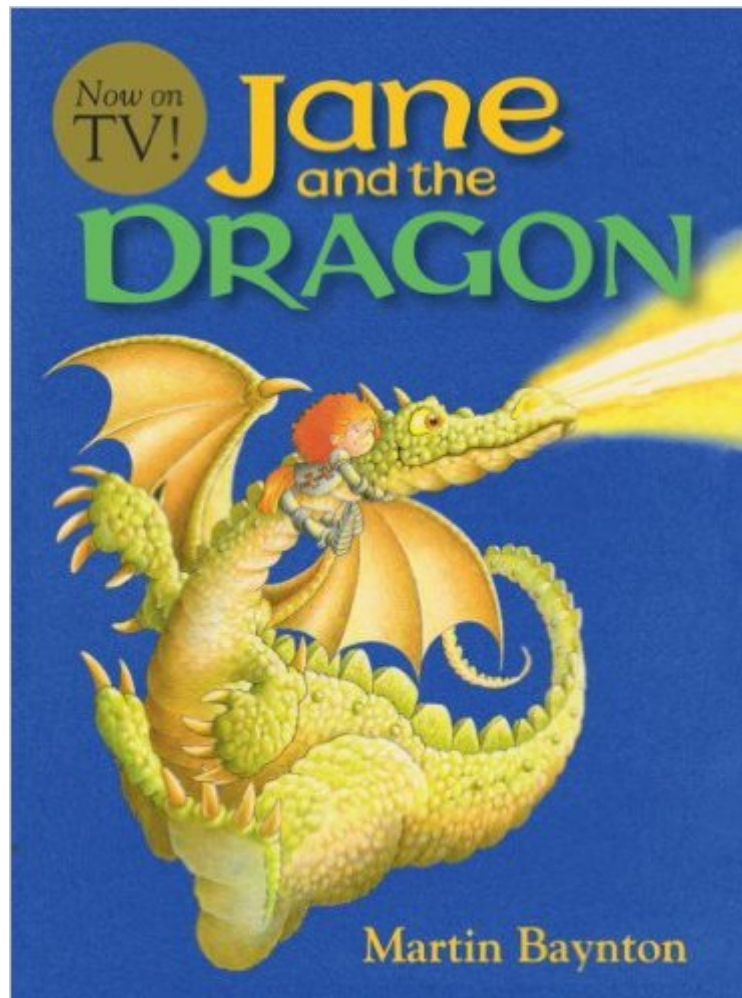


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# Jane And The Dragon



## Synopsis

A feisty heroine whoâ€™d rather joust than sew seeks out her own adventures in these magical fairy tales for todayâ€™s young readers. Jane longs to be a knight, but everyone laughs at her. Everyone, that is, except the court jester, who lends her a small suit of armor to help make her dream come true. And when an enormous dragon swoops in and steals the prince, Jane quickly gets the chance to prove herself!

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

As the mother of a young daughter, I am always aware of how hard I must work to ensure that she sees herself as a person and not an object. I absolutely love how this book turns convention upside down and how Jane is true to herself even when everyone else--her parents included--is trying to tell her to conform. This book served as an excellent introduction to a brief discussion with my daughter as to how she can be anything she wants to be, no matter what others tell her.

Jane is a wonderful role model for young girls and boys alike. Her spirit makes her soar well past what is "expected of her" and allows her to achieve her dreams. She helps others achieve their dreams as well. The book is well written. The illustrations are beautiful. This was my favourite

bedtime book to read to my daughter. When she put away her children's books many years ago, this one stayed on her shelf. I recommend this book wholeheartedly.

I have bought 4 of these books for all of my Granddaughters and a little friend. Every little girl should have this book. Princesses should be able to do strong important things too! I don't want my girls to have to wait for a prince to solve their problems. They need to grow up strong and resilient and that is what this story is about. My oldest granddaughters love the story and ask for it at bedtime often. One loved it so much we had to find her a stuffed dragon.

This was my favorite book as a child growing up. I read and re-read it. It was always empowering to me to hear that girls didn't always have to be what people expect of them, they could be what they wanted. As an adult I still have this book and I give it to every mom-to-be at a baby shower. It's such a good message, she follows her dreams, and makes friends along the way. I just love it.

Jane is a Lady in Waiting who dreams of being a knight. Most people laugh at her and tease her, but that doesn't make her dismiss what her heart most desires. She is determined and she is brave. When the opportunity to prove herself is presented, she doesn't hesitate. She doesn't buckle to fear or self-doubt. She summons her bravery and goes out to save the prince from the huge dragon who kidnapped him. What I loved most about this book and about Jane as a potential role model for the children enjoying the book, is that not only is she courageous and confident, but she is also kind and compassionate. Those are the traits of a true hero. She could have killed the dragon but she chose not to. Which led her to discover that the dragon did not want to kill her either. A true hero can solve conflict without unnecessary violence. This led to her forming a friendship with a creature that others feared and showing that the fear was unmerited. It made a strong point that neither Jane nor the dragon had to be what was expected of them when their heart obviously wanted a different path. She saved the prince even though he had been mean to her. She gracefully returned him to the king who had laughed at her. When there was a celebration held in her honor, she could have danced with anyone, but she remembered the loyalty of her friend the jester. He had been the only one to support her in her dream of being a knight, so she chose to dance with him. So she is courageous, compassionate, AND loyal. This book is one of my favorites to share with my kids.

This is such a special and unique book. It has a great message, especially for girls. It challenges stereotypes and convention in such a sweet way. Enjoy!

A Children's Classic From The 80's From A Brilliant Author, Martin Baynton. Such Forward Thinking Earned Him The Television Series That We All Know And Love! What A Wonderful Short Story To Read To Your Children At Night Or To Have Them Learn To Read It to You!

If you have seen the wonderful Jane and the Dragon tv series you will enjoy the book. You hear the basic story in the theme song and wonder how Jane and her dragon met and what made the king let her train to be a knight. This book tells that story! It is an enjoyable story that engages everyone from children to adults. I highly recommend this book.

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