

# Secret Garden, Race You To The Top Of The Mo

When we left off last night  
The hideous dragon  
Had carried the maid to his cave by moonlight  
He gnashed his teeth, and breathed his fire  
The heath quaked, and we trembled in fear

I said someone must save the sweet raven-haired maiden  
Though surely the cost will be steep  
So we lads all drew lots  
Our insides tied in knots  
And I won and the rest went to sleep

So I picked up my staff  
And I followed the trail of his smoke  
To the mouth of the cave  
And I bid him come out  
Yea, forsooth, I did shout  
Ye fool dragon be gone or behave

And then under my breath  
I uttered a charm said  
To make the worst fiend become kind  
Knaves and knights of dire plights  
Now diminish his sights  
And it worked and the dragon went blind

And he charged off the cliff  
Howling and he died  
And the maiden accepted my ring  
And then you came along  
And were brave, bold and strong  
And in thanks every night now I sing

Race you to the top of the morning  
Come sit on my shoulders and ride  
Run and hide, I'll come find you  
Climb hills to remind you  
I love you, my boy at my side

Now another fool dragon's appeared  
I must leave you  
He's scorching our land with his breath  
From his lair, this one taunts me  
He dares me, he haunts me  
Once again, we must fight to the death

Would to God I could stay and instead slay your dragon  
This beast who sits hunched on you back  
Would God I could wrench him away from your bed  
Or cut off or tear off his terrible head  
Could breathe out my fire on him  
'Til he was dead  
Or beg him to spare you and take me instead

As it is, I must leave you in care of my brother  
The wizard who lives on the hill  
Who has promised his art  
Will soon pierce through the heart  
Of this dragon that's keeping you ill

And I know that your mother, God bless her  
Would want you to do as he says and grow strong  
And you know that as soon as I can I'll return  
So be brave son, and know that I long

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