

Dragons in a Bag

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1. Where was Jaxon left while his mother went to court? What did he eat there?
He was left a Ma's apartment – whom he had never met. He ate a thick peanut butter sandwich that he had a hard time swallowing.
2. What did Ma want Jax to do in her apartment?
Read a book.
3. Where did the box that kept moving around come from? What was inside of the box when Jax looked inside?
It came from Madagascar. He saw that there was fragments of purple eggshells.
4. What was odd about the squirrel that Jax let into the kitchen?
The squirrel seemed to understand him and communicate with him. The squirrel tried to get inside the cabinet for something.
5. Which book did Jax choose to read from Ma's library?
The Wondrous Lizards of Madagascar by L. Roy Jenkins
6. Why does Ma give Jax all the mints?
She needed to empty the little red tin to put the baby dragons inside of.
7. Why did Jax's mom choose not to become Ma's apprentice?
She wanted an ordinary life, not one full of magic.
8. Why doesn't Ma want the baby dragons to see her or Jax?
She does not want them to become imprinted. (If the baby sees/relies on a human then they always want to be with them.
9. Why couldn't the dragons stay in Brooklyn?
There was not enough magic to sustain them. (keep them alive)
10. Where do Ma and Jax walk to?
They walked to Prospect Park in Brooklyn – It is Jax's favorite place to go in Brooklyn.
11. As a witch, what special thing did Ma need to be able to do?
She needed to know what was fact or fiction.
12. What was Ambrose's job? What made him memorable?
His job is to unlock the door that lets people travel through time/dimensions. He wore lots of clothing to cover his shape, but Jax noticed that he was invisible under the layers.

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13. How does Ma steer the guardhouse?

With her mind.

14. Where was the first stop that the guardhouse took them to?

It was not working correctly, and it took them to Gondwana (Supercontinent) during the Mesozoic Era.

15. When they were in the Mesozoic Era, what special job did Jax do?

He climb down a cliff to pick up a piece of red quartz.

16. What is special about Ma's watch?

It is also a compass.

17. What happened to Ma and Jax when the creature roared in the Mesozoic Era?

Jax runs to the guardhouse. Ma shut Jax inside the guardhouse by pointing her cane at the door. After he hears a crackling sound and sees blue currents of electricity, he wishes he was home in Brooklyn. He travels by himself back to the park, leaving Ma on her own fighting the dinosaur.

18. What are the two rules for the dragons?

- Don't let them out of the bag.
- Whatever you do, don't feed them anything sweet.

19. What happens with Vik's sister Kavita in Prospect Park? Why is this a problem?

Kavita looked inside the purse and took the dragons out of the tin. She fed them Peda – candy made with milk, sugar, and cardamon. This is a problem because it broke both rules. The dragons instantly begin to grow and no longer fit inside the tin. Jax puts them in the Peda bag but the one burns a hole in the bag. The dragons are now imprinted with Kavita.

20. Who is Trub and why is he not mad at Jax's mom?

Trub is Jax's grandfather (his mom's dad). He was not mad that she had never told Jax about him since he was never around much for her when she was growing up.

21. How does Trub help Jax?

He takes him out for lunch before he goes with him to find Ma. He helps take him to another dimension where he thinks Ma will be. Trub picks the lock of the other guardhouse since Ambrose is not there.

22. Who is Nate and what is special about him?

Nate is a rat. He is not an ordinary rat, he is special because he can sniff out magic.

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23. Where did Jax and Trub find Ma?

She was in a realm of magic. Ma was with L. Roy Jenkins and Sis. She was having her hair braided by Sis while eating Mangos.

24. What did Sis do when she finished braiding Ma's hair?

Breathed fire on the comb.

25. When Jax gave the purse back to Ma what was discovered?

Jax had to explain what had happened to the dragons. He went to get them out to give to Sis and realized the fire breathing dragon was missing from the pocket he put it in. He realized that Kavita must have taken the dragon out of the bag at the park.

26. Explain how Ma got to the magical land from the Mesozoic Era.

Ma was able to use the crystal to send Jax back. Then she rode the dinosaur she made manageable as close to the volcano as she could. All the energy allowed her to leap forward in time to the 21st century. Sis then gathered her helper to get MA.

27. What promise did Ma make to Sis before they left?

Ma would bring back Sis's dragon. When she returned, she was going to stay in the magical land.

28. What did Sis send back with Ma and Jax to find the dragon?

When Sis sent them back to fetch the dragon, she sent a red butterfly along to help them.

29. Why was Jax left with Ma in the beginning of the book?

His mother had to go to court to fight the landlord who was trying to evict them from the apartment. The landlord had also turned off the water and the gas at the building.

30. What did Jax tell his mother?

He told her about the adventure and about meeting his grandfather (Trub). He also told her that he was going to be Ma's apprentice.