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Sheet: Poetry - My Invisible Dragon

My Invisible Dragon

Read the poem 'My Invisible Dragon' and answer the questions.

I have an invisible dragon.
She's such a remarkable flyer.
She soars through the sky on invisible wings
exhaling invisible fire.

My dragon is utterly silent.
She soundlessly swoops through the air.
Why, she could be flying beside you right now,
and you'd never know she was there.

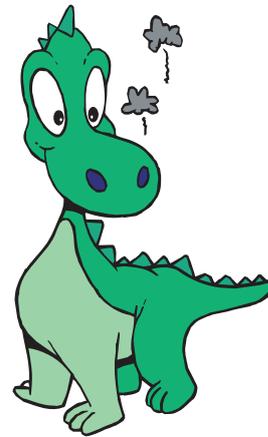
And if you should reach out to pet her,
I don't think you'd notice too much.
Her body is simply too airy and light
to sense her by means of a touch.

And just as you don't see or hear her,
and just as she cannot be felt,
my dragon does not have an odour at all,
which means that she'll never be smelt.

Although you may find this outlandish,
you just have to trust me, it's true.
And, oh, by the way, did I mention I have
an invisible unicorn too?

-- Kenn Nesbitt

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Questions

1. Apart from the dragon, what other mythical animal is mentioned in the poem?

2. In the line that reads "She's such a remarkable flyer", what does *remarkable* mean?

- a** Amazing **b** Fast
c Slow **d** Dangerous

3. How many lines does each stanza of this poem contain?

- a** 16 **b** 4
c 2 **d** 20

4. In the line that reads "Although you may find this outlandish," what do you think *outlandish* means?

5. In the 4th stanza, what are the two rhyming words?

6. How many syllables does the word 'soundlessly' have?

7. Did dragons ever exist on the Earth? What do you think? Write your answer below.
