

Cutha's Chronicles

Anglo-Saxon Adventures

EALA! Hello!



Do you believe in **dragons**?

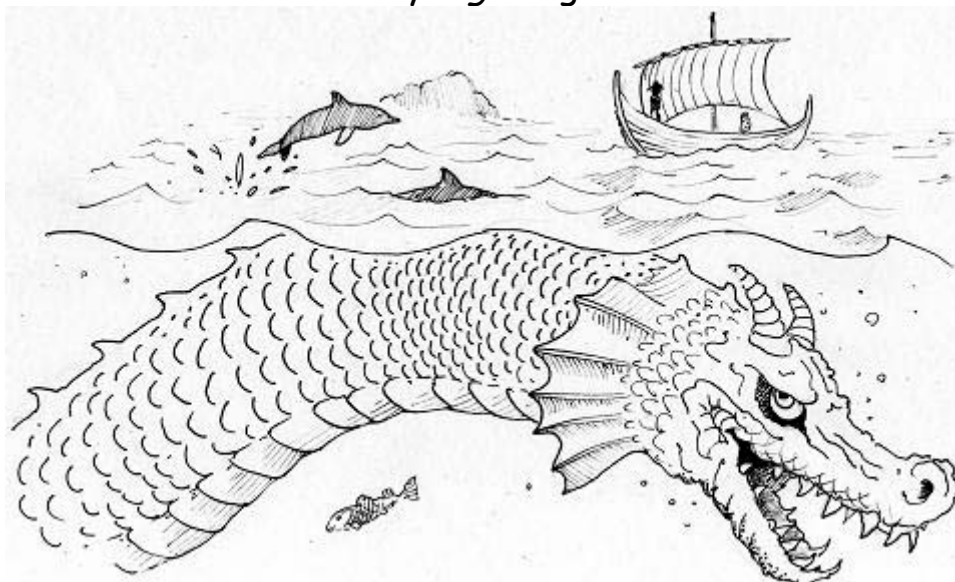
We do. We call them *wyrmas*. And they are *everywhere!*

Little ones tunnel into your teeth and give you toothache!

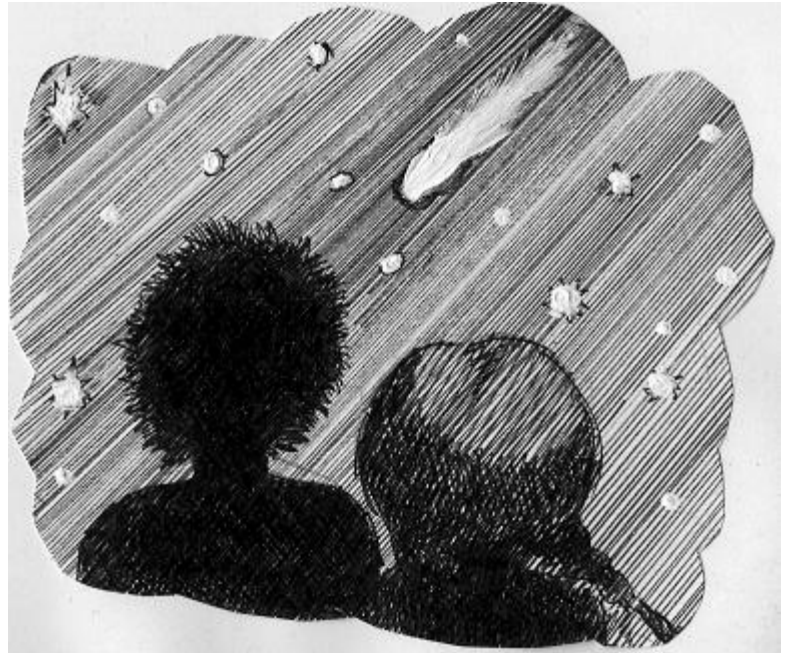


They get into your clothes chest and eat your clothes too!

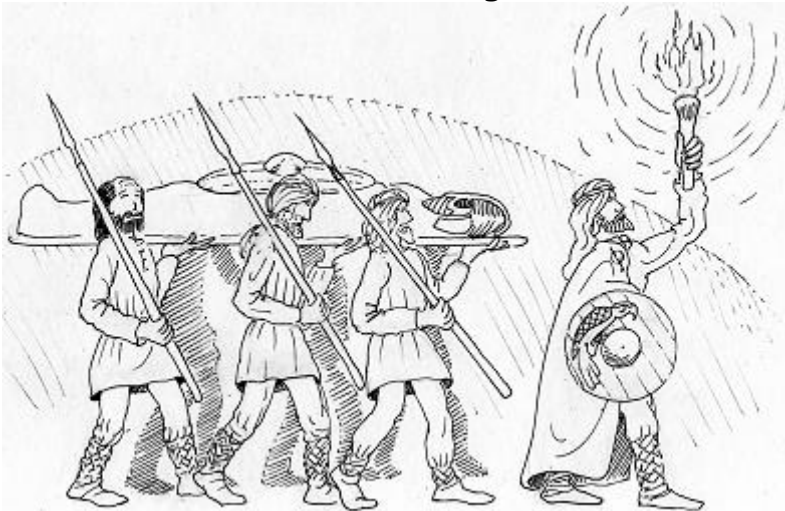
There are really *big* dragons in the sea.



And sometimes you see them flying in the sky



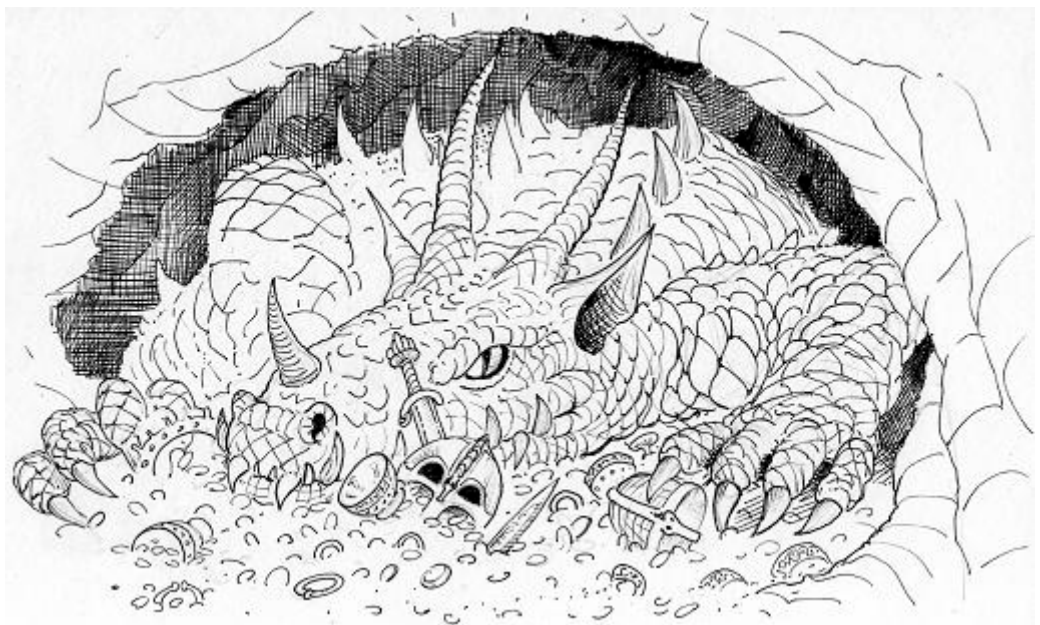
But worst of all are the dragons that live in old burial mounds!



When a king or chief was buried, they buried treasure with him.

Then dragons come and sleep on the treasure.

Some people say the old king's ghost turns into a dragon inside the mound.



Sometimes people try to steal the treasure from the mound: then the dragon will come out and cause trouble.



If that happens, you need a hero to come and kill the dragon.

We like stories about heroes who kill dragons!



People in Anglo-Saxon times really did believe in *wyrmas* — dragons which caused illness, and brought about trouble in the world. They made many images of them on their jewellery, maybe to keep them away!

Here is a picture of a famous gold buckle found in a king's burial mound at Sutton Hoo. How many *wyrmas* can you find?

