Nouns, adjectives and adverbs

Writing good description, we use **adjectives** and **adverbs** to give more information about **nouns**.

**Nouns** name things, including objects, creatures, people or feelings: a *ball*. Nouns often have words like *a, an, the* or *some* in front of them.

**Adjectives** are describing words. They often come before a noun (*a red ball*) but they can be further on in the sentence too: *the ball was red and round*.

**Adverbs** tell us a bit more about an adjective. We often use adverbs like *very, really, quite, extremely and rather* in descriptions: *an extremely bright red ball*.

What to do:
- Read the passage below.
- Highlight the **nouns** with one colour.
- Highlight the **adjectives** with another colour.
- Highlight the **adverbs** with a third colour.
- Check on the *Answers* sheet to see if you spotted them all.

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Total number of nouns: ____________________________

Total number of adjectives: _______________________

Total number of adverbs: _________________________

Which was your favourite adjective?

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See if you can use that word in your own descriptive writing about caring for a dragon.