**New Friend True Friend Discussion Questions**

1. **Why did Dominic go to Jason’s house?**

He was new in town and wanted to make a new friend.

1. **Did Jason run right out to play with Dominic?**

No. He asked his mother first for her advice and permission.

We can’t just run off with any stranger who comes to our door.

1. **What did she tell them to do?**

Go kite flying.

1. **Why do you think she trusted Dominic?**

That’s hard to say. Mother’s just seem to have a sixth sense about some things.

1. **Why do you think she suggested kite flying?**

Maybe Dominic was too big to fit into their house and needed an outdoor activity.

1. **Who was flying the kite?**

Even though his mother says “Get out your kite and let “him” fly it,” I think it was Jason who was flying the kite. Sometimes one person will hold the kite while a friend takes the kite a ways off and holds it up to help life it into the air. I think Dominic was holding the kite when it took off because of what happened next.

1. **And what did happen next?**

As the kite rose into the air, the tail tickled Dominic’s nose. If Dominic had been holding the string and Jason was holding the kite at the time of lift-off, the tail wouldn’t have been close enough to reach his nose.

1. **Why was it a problem that the kite tail tickled Dominic’s nose?**

It made him want to sneeze!

1. **Have you ever tried to hold in a sneeze?**

It isn’t easy is it?

1. **What is one unique thing about mythical dragons?**

They can breathe fire.

1. **Did Dominic know what might happen if he sneezed?**

Yes, and he tried real hard not to do it.

1. **But Dominic couldn’t stop the sneeze to then what happened?**

Whoosh! The fire flamed out of his mouth and hit the tail of the kite!

1. **And you know what? Fire can really travel fast! Where did it go? What did it do?**

It went right up the tail of the kite. It burned up the tail… and the kite… and then burned up the string!

1. **Jason’s kite was all burned up. How do you think he felt?**

Sad, disappointed, angry

1. **How did Dominic feel?**

Sorry and afraid of losing his new friend.

1. **What did he tell Jason?**

He said “I’m sorry” and promised to buy Jason another kite one day.

1. **Do you think that was the right thing to do?**

Yes. If you break something that belongs to someone else, you need to replace it.

1. **But what did Dominic do wrong?**

He just walked away. He didn’t tell Jason where he was going.

1. **How did Jason react?**

He was confused, and sad, and just wandered around for a while thinking he had lost his new friend AND his kite.

1. **Was that true?**

NO!

1. **Why?**

Because Dominic came back with a new kite! He kept his promise!

1. **Was Jason surprised?**

Definitely.

1. **How did he feel then?**

Happy and glad Dominic was still his friend.

1. **What happened after they had flown the new kite for a while?**

They heard Jason’s mother calling them.

1. **When they went home and told her about their day, what did she say to Dominic?**

“What a nice thing to do for a brand new friend!”