Duncan the Story Dragon

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**ART MEDIUM:** Pencil sketches painted in Adobe Photoshop  
**GENRE:** Friendship, fantasy

**BOOK SUMMARY:** Duncan the dragon can never finish a book. His excitement always results in fire burning the book before he can get to the end. He looks everywhere for someone to read to him. Finally a little mouse volunteers, and Duncan gets to hear the words “the end”.

**BOOK TALK:** Duncan is a dragon who loves to read but he has a big problem. Read this book to see how Duncan finds a friend to help him overcome a difficult situation.

**CHALLENGING WORDS:** conquer  
trudged  
entire  
trickled

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**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**
1. Have you ever had a problem that you needed help from a friend? What was the problem?
2. What can Duncan do for the mouse?
3. What name would you give the mouse?
4. What does it mean “this was only the beginning” at the end of the story?
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Duncan and his friend, the mouse, liked to read many stories together. Ask one of your friends what he or she likes to read. You may like to read about dogs. Your friend might like to read about horses. Draw some pictures in the first box to show what you like to read about. Draw some pictures in the second box to show the books your friend likes to read. If there are any books that are in both boxes, draw a circle around the pictures.

I like books about . . .
My friend likes books about . . .

Standards:
K.RL.1 Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.
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