

STORYLANDS

READERS' THEATRE 3

Lost
Island

The Abandoned Egg



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Multi-levelled scripts that build fluency and comprehension

INTRODUCTION

Tickles, the pterodactyl, finds a very large, abandoned egg. She wants her friends to help her look after the egg until it hatches. Who could the egg belong to?

SETTING

A clearing on Lost Island

CHARACTERS



Narrator
Level 20



Tickles
Level 18



River
Level 14



Pebble
Level 14



Leo
Level 11



Luna
Level 11



Trio
Level 12



Rex
Level 11

Baby dragon
Mother dragon
(not speaking parts)

For teachers' inspection ONLY



Narrator: While out on her morning flight around the island, Tickles, the pterodactyl, spotted a very large, abandoned, silver egg. She flew down to take a closer look.




Tickles: Oh what a big, beautiful egg you are! I have never seen a silver egg before. In fact you are the largest egg I have ever seen.




Narrator: Tickles felt the egg and could feel something moving inside.




Tickles: I wonder who could have abandoned a big and beautiful egg like you. But you don't have to worry. Now that I have found you, I will build you a big nest. My friends and I will look after you until you hatch.




Narrator: Tickles called to her friends who lived nearby.



Tickles: River and Pebble, come and help.



River: (*panting after a run*) What's up Tickles? Pebble and I came as fast as we could.



Tickles: I want you and Pebble to see the big, beautiful egg I found. I'd like you to help me.





Pebble: It's HUGE. It's the biggest egg I've ever seen! What kind of dinosaur lays silver eggs?



Tickles: I'm not sure. But we're going to look after it. Whatever is inside can hatch when it's ready.



Pebble: (*shocked*) Are you joking?



Tickles: No, I am not. Now stay here with the egg. I'm going off to collect some things to build it a nest.

