

CENTRAL



PARK

CENTRAL PARK IS HOME TO A DIVERSE ARRAY OF DRAGONS

How do we know this? Because on February 29, 2020¹ a team of volunteer Dragon Observers recorded every instance of Common Eastern Dragon (*Draconis orientalis vulgaris*) in Central Park. The park was divided into 160 "cells"; three simultaneous censuses were taken using observers stationed in every cell of the park. Taken together, our censuses tell us which dragons rule them all!

¹Scientists have determined that dragons became visible on leap days of years in the third millennium that end in zero.

A. GROUND CENSUS

Observers learned that dragons tend to live in families of four.

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C. AURAL CENSUS (CONTINUED)

- 1 It seems you blend in with so many other [1] things / And people tend to pass you over / Cause you're not standin' out like flashy sparkles on the water
- 2 I guess I should of known / By the way you parked your car [2] / That it wouldn't last
- 3 So he asked the Great Pumpkin for a new battle plan / He challenged the German to a real [3] / While the Baron was laughing, he got him in his sight
- 4 I was walking along minding my business / When love came and hit me in the eye / Flash, bam, [4]
- 5 Maxwell Edison, majoring in medicine / Calls her on the phone / "Can I take you out to the [5] Joa, oa, oa, oan?"
- 6 Life is fine every time / [6] of you leave my head / I was wrong, now I find / Just one thing makes me forget
- 7 Maybe you'll get a replacement / There's plenty like me to be found / [7] who ain't got a penny / Sniffing for tidbits like you on the ground
- 8 And then there [8] appeared before me / The only one my arms will ever hold / I heard somebody whisper, "Please adore me."
- 9 I've never seen you looking so [9] as you did tonight / I've never seen you shine so bright, you were amazing / I've never seen so many people want to be there by your side
- 10 She was as nervous as she could be / She was afraid to come out of the locker / She was afraid that [10] would see
- 11 I never meant to cause you any sorrow / I never meant to cause you any pain / I only wanted one time to see you [11]
- 12 The baddest man in the whole damned town / Badder than old King Kong / And meaner than a [12] dog
- 13 If you [13] my letter telling you I'd soon be free / Then you'll know just what to do / If you still want me
- 14 This I know 'cause it's / True love / You're the one I'm [14] of / Your heart fits me like a glove
- 15 Back at base, bugs in the [15] / Flash the message, "Something's out there" / Floating in the summer sky
- 16 Don't wish it away / Don't look at it like it's forever / Between you and me I could [16] say / That things can only get better
- 17 You'll [17] me when the west wind moves upon the fields of barley
- 18 New York is where I'd rather stay / I get [18] smelling hay / I just adore a penthouse view
- 19 Strings of streetlights, even stoplights / Blink a bright red and green / As the [19] rush home with their treasures
- 20 They paved [20] / And put up a parking lot