

Yin was the greatest among his folk
or so he thought, and most others
agreed

Yin would often list his virtues
his strength
his prowess
his cunning
his wit

Everyone around him shied away, for fear of seeming
to badly in comparison

One day Yin, sure of his powers, went to
slay the mighty dragon which lived
in the hills east of the village,
which was said to be the most
evil of all creatures in the
whole world.

Everyone feared for Yin, wondering if even he could possibly
dare anything so great.

Some had faith in him

Some ran to pray for his soul

Some thought that he was making a mockery of the gods

Some thought ~~that~~ that he was just doing this to have everyone awed
by him

they might be right

He first spent many days preparing his supplies

He made sure he had everything he might need for the journey

He made sure he had the charms to bless him from the ~~evil~~ curses
which surrounded the dragon lair

He made sure he brought every sort of weapon used for killing dragons

He finally set off on his fine mare
when he came within a few miles of
the dragon

the mare ran away back to town
unable to stand the aura of
the dragon

even at that distance

So Yin proceeded on foot

with his pack

and his sword

and his charms, which were made by the greatest wizards of the land

Yin crossed hills and valleys

Yin crossed streams and ravines

Finally he came to see
the dragon

It was huge and scaly

its scales shown green, and red, and yellow

it lay on a huge pile of stolen gold and jewels

it was surrounded by the bones of the others who came to slay
the dragon

it was the most fearsome sight Yin

or anyone else

had ever seen

Yin proceeded bravely, as bravely as all the others had who came
to slay

the dragon

He drew his sword and charged the dragon

Noone was really surprised when Yin didn't return from trying to slay
the dragon