



Dovahzul  
Riddle Contest  
Winners

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## Introduction

A hint to lost treasure, a warning for trespassers, a joke told over a mug of ale - a riddle can be many things. This contest challenged the members of Thuum.org to craft a riddle in the dragon language. Here you'll find the winning entries along with a number of honorable mentions.

Winning entries were chosen based on cleverness, originality, and good use of the dragon language itself. The answers for each riddle are listed on the final page.

Winning Entries

1.

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Zu'u lost mir voth drog ahrk kinbok,  
Nuz ahk voth grohiik ahrk kodaav,  
Zu'u los peh ahst forveyk voth yol um zey,  
Nuz fo unstiid praag zey,  
Ahrk faal dilon nis saan zey,  
Ol zu'u lahney ko mith do pah dov.

*I have alliances with lords and leaders,  
But also with wolves and bears,  
I am quite at ease with fire around me,  
But frost always needs me,  
And the dead cannot lose me,  
As I reside in the centre of all dragonkind.*

by Loniizrath

2.

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Brii do briinah, nah do briin  
Krii pah kriizend, zent pah kriind

Sahlo sahqo, sahrot graag  
Praav ko mulaag, praad ko praag

Bah aad lok, bahlok unslaad  
Kuz aad kul  
Zu'u -

*Beauty of sister, fury of ocean  
Kill all opposition, expect all slaughter*

*Weak red, mighty green  
Lair in power, wake in need*

*Wrath invade sky, hunger unending  
Seize invade good  
I am -*

by Felniir Ahvus

3.

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Hi fen grinstiid siiv zey lok ahrk faar  
 Dii urik luft ahraan wah buld skein  
 Lost nid honiir, nid miin, nuv sumaar  
 Nuz lost pogaat vahmaan, tul nid faak wah fraan  
 Piraak pogaan sek, nuz neh laag geinan omaar  
 Dreh hi mindok fos los, lost fahraal meyz baar

*You'll often find me high and tall  
 My broad face injured to form a scar  
 I have no ears, no eyes, nor nose  
 But have several members, yet no limbs to feel  
 I possess many beds, but never slept a single hour  
 Do you know what I am, has the truth become clear*

by Mahlaansaviik

Honorable Mentions

4.

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Wah enook ulfah zu'u vahrot wah bo  
 Ney joor ahrk sivaas fent das vos zey ko  
 Hes vahrukt ahrk saavir kaat zu'u fen drun  
 Nuz nust pah fent vognun ahst diist vu kun  
 Fah nii los ahst vulon zu'u rovaan stin  
 Tul ahstiid ahst sul zu'u fen meyz hin in  
 Zu'u saraan, to hi krif zey. zu'u lost prem  
 Fod sul los drehlaan, hi valokein dii drem.

*To every creature I vow to come  
 Both mortal and beast shall soon let me in  
 Sweet memory and rich promise I bring  
 Yet they all shall vanish at the first dawning light  
 For it is at night I wander free  
 Yet sometimes at day I will become your master  
 I await, though you fight me. I have patience  
 When the day is done, you welcome my peace.*

by Kaaldunir

5.

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Nol lokom zu'u bo, wah okaaz zu'u krif,  
 nid vis al zey, dein zey yal.  
 Zu'u nahkip gosvah, osley, frod,  
 ahstiid hi lost zey, ahstiid hi praag.  
 Zu'u vis kos krivaan, ahrk zu'u vis kos lig.  
 Zu'u nunon lost ziin paal,  
 Yol, ahrk diin.

*From the heights I come, to the seas I fight,  
 nothing can destroy me, nor keeping me tight.  
 I feed the woods, the flowers, the field,  
 Sometimes you have me, sometimes you need.  
 I can be a murderer, and I can be pleased,  
 I only have two foes,  
 Fire, and freeze.*

by Maggot

6.

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Laas ko vul  
 Dinok ko kun  
 Sos med hes vint  
 Nuz silon med viidost  
 Fos los Zu'u?

*Life in the dark  
 Death in the light  
 Blood like sweet wine  
 But silver like poison  
 What am I?*

by Krent Sil



7.

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Neh helt, unstiid bo.  
 Nis kos ov, nis kos fun.  
 Neh reistig, neh boziik.  
 Aal kos aanwo, nid gein mindok.  
 Nis kos nun, neh helt.  
 Fos, draal fun, aal nii kos?

*Never stops, always flows.  
 Can't be trusted, can't be told.  
 Never certain, never bold.  
 May be someone, no one knows.  
 Can't be seen, never halts.  
 What, pray tell, may it be?*

by Leopard Cay

8.

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Krent trin, haal do dinok  
Nu motaad us felniir su'um  
Dii haalvut krah, dii minz volzah  
Zu'u bo fah hi pah uv hi meyz vorohah  
Zu'u los het, alun naram.  
Lorfonaar wo zu'u los  
Us zu'u himdah dii diinokus sun

*Broken strings, hand of death  
Now shudder before winter's breath  
My touch cold, my stare bad,  
I come for all or you'll go mad  
I'm here, every growing  
Guess who I am  
Before I land my deathly blows*

by DaanKaalZaal

9.

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Nau ven hi bo ni viing  
 Nid kun hi alun viin  
 Hi mah ko nahlot  
 Ahrk ond dreh sahrot  
 Monah 'tiid du'ul hin

*On the wind you fly without wings  
 Without light, you ever shine  
 You fall in silence  
 And lo does the mighty  
 Mother wear your crown*

by paarthurnax

## Riddle Answers

1. ະ the letter "o"
2. ັກີຄັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ *kulaad* "jealousy"
3. ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ *grindol* "a cliff"
4. ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ *laag* "sleep"
5. ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ *lom* "water"
6. ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ *sosnaak* "a vampire"
7. ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ *aluntiid* "the future"
8. ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ ັກີ *veyd sahvoz* "the grim reaper"
9. ັກີ *od* "snow"