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Hey Draco, were you able to reach Mach 3 like the SR-71?

No, not even close! I have brought shame to my family. 😞 Maybe I could attach something to my wings to make me go faster? Or maybe ride something that could take me higher than I've ever flown before!

Do you have any notions of how I could accomplish this?

Well, you could try using Beal Aerospace's BA-810. Its the second most powerful liquid-fuel rocket engine built since the Apollo program!

That is astonishing! I must use this engine to regain my status as an all-powerful and speedy dragon!

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as an all-powerful and speedy dragon! What more can you tell me Dan?



Well, Beal Aerospace Technologies Inc., was founded in 1997. Founder Andrew Beal hoped to design, build, and launch satellites as a private enterprise and launch payloads for a fraction of the price! Sadly, they closed their doors in October of 2000.

What a heartbreaking close to a great story! What else did they build?

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Beal Aerospace not only developed a powerful engine called the BA-810, they also created the BA-2 launch vehicle that would carry large payloads into orbit around the Earth.

So, you're telling me I could have used the BA-810 and the BA-2 to launch myself into space and for a reasonable price?

Using Beal products would have certainly provided you with some serious horsepower!

I think you mean dragon-power, Dan.

Haha, yes, of course.

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