

Fantastic Fairy Tales

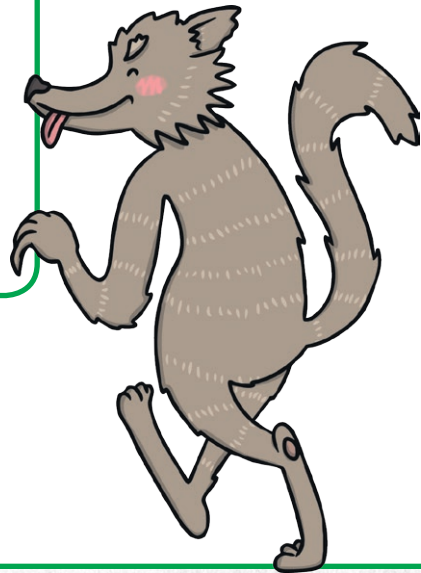
What Is a Fairy Tale?

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'Little Red Riding Hood' and 'Cinderella' are fairy tales.



Fairy tales teach you to do the right thing. The story of 'The Three Little Pigs' teaches you to work hard and not to rush.

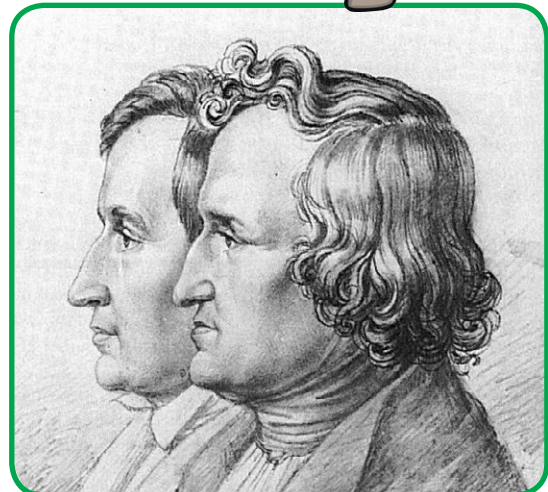


The History of Fairy Tales

Fairy tales have been told for many years.

Two brothers wrote some popular fairy tales down in a big book called 'Grimm's Fairy Tales'. Many fairy tales that are known today were in the book, such as 'Snow White'.

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Some well-known fairy tales include 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and 'Little Red Riding Hood'.



There are often magical creatures in fairy tales. These include giants, talking animals, witches, princesses and fairies.

Fairy tales often teach you a message or a lesson. In the story of 'The Three Little Pigs', the message is that hard work pays off.

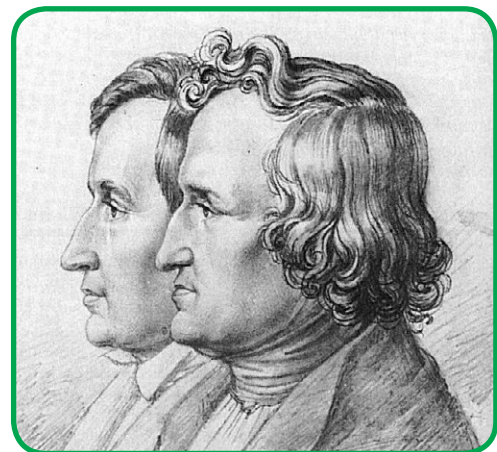


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Most of the fairy tales that we know today are from stories that were told many, many years ago. These stories were often told out loud and not written down.

In 1812, the Grimm brothers wrote some of the fairy tales down in a big book called 'Grimm's Fairy Tales'. Fairy tales that are popular today, such as 'Snow White', 'Hansel and Gretel' and 'Cinderella', were all written in this book.

Today, some authors still like to retell old fairy tales and make new ones.

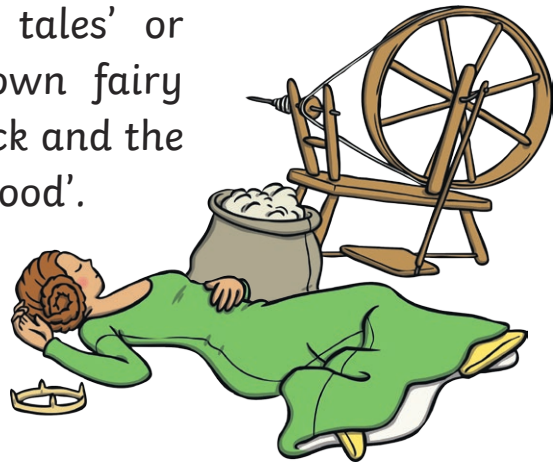


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Fairy tales are also called 'folk tales' or 'traditional tales'. Some well-known fairy tales include 'Sleeping Beauty', 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and 'Little Red Riding Hood'.

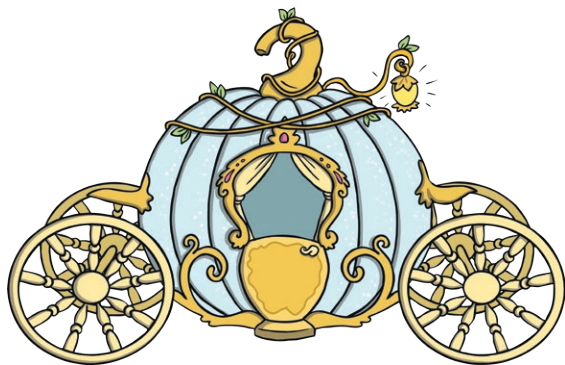
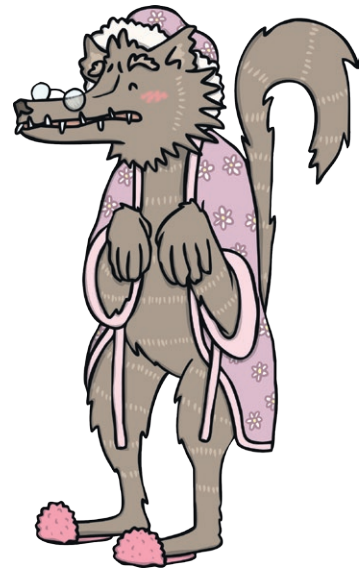


Fairy tales are usually about magical or marvellous events. They often have a happy ending and good typically wins over evil in fairy tale stories.

Fairy tales often have magical creatures, such as giants, dragons, witches, princesses, fairies, elves and goblins.



Sometimes, objects may be enchanted in fairy tales, such as the talking mirror in 'Snow White' and the pumpkin carriage in 'Cinderella'.



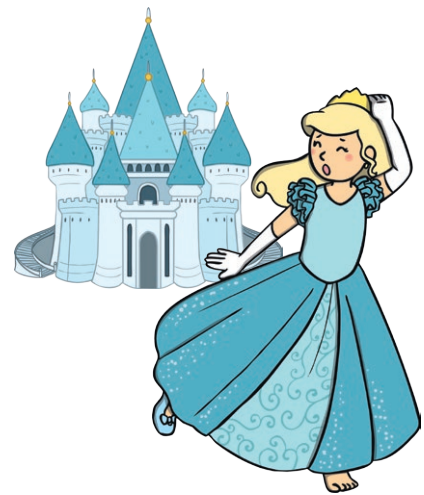
Fairy tales often have a moral. This means that they teach you a message or a lesson. In the story of 'The Three Little Pigs', the message is that hard work and determination pay off.

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Most of the fairy tales that we know today are from stories that were told aloud many, many years ago. These stories were not written down but passed from person to person. In fact, fairy tales have been around for thousands of years!

There can be many different versions of the same fairy tale. This is because they have been written down by different authors and told by different people over many years. Fairy tales are told all around the world in many different cultures.

In 1812, two brothers (called Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm) created a big book of traditional German folktales. This book was called 'Grimm's Fairy Tales'. It had 209 stories in it. Fairy tales that we still read today were in the book, such as 'Snow White', 'Hansel and Gretel', and 'Cinderella'.



Hans Christian Andersen is another famous author of fairy tales. He wrote stories such as 'The Little Mermaid', 'The Ugly Duckling' and 'The Princess and the Pea'.

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