



Fairy Tales

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Lexile Score	Title Information	Call Number
	EASY	
AD690L	Alderson, Brian. <i>Thumbelina</i> . Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2009. A tiny girl no bigger than a thumb is stolen by a great ugly toad and subsequently has many adventures and makes many animal friends, before finding the perfect mate in a warm and beautiful southern land.	E AL235T
N/A	Amery, Heather. <i>The Story of Rumpelstiltskin</i> . Tulsa, OK: EDC Pub., 2003. A strange little man helps the miller's daughter spin straw into gold for the king on the condition that she will give him her first-born child.	E AM3599ST
570L	Anderson, Hans Christian. <i>The Emperor's New Clothes</i> . Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2014. Two rascally weavers convince the emperor they are making him beautiful new clothes, visible only to those fit for their posts, but during a royal procession in which he first wears them, a child whispers that the emperor has nothing on.	E AN228EM
N/A	Bardoe, Cheryl. <i>The Ugly Duckling Dinosaur</i> . New York: Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2011. In this take on "The Ugly Duckling," a tyrannosaurus rex is hatched in a nest of ducklings. Includes facts about dinosaurs.	E B236U

N/A	Barrager, Brigitte. <i>Twelve Dancing Princesses</i> . San Francisco, CA: Chronicle Books, 2011.	E B2715T
	An easy retelling of the tale of twelve princesses who dance secretly all night long and how their secret is eventually discovered.	
560L	Blair, Eric. <i>The Brave Little Tailor: A Retelling of the Grimms' Fairy Tale</i> . (Additional titles by author: <i>Puss in Boots</i> , <i>Tom Thumb</i> , <i>Sleeping Beauty</i> , and more).	E B575BR
	An easy-to-read retelling of the classic tale of a tailor whose boast about killing seven flies at one blow leads him to even greater feats.	
N/A	Childs, Lauren. <i>The Princess and the Pea in Miniature: After the Fairy Tale by Hans Christian Andersen</i> . New York: Hyperion Books for Children, 2006.	E C4371P
	Presents a re-telling of the well-known fairy tale of a young girl feels a pea through twenty mattresses and twenty featherbeds and proves she is a real princess.	
N/A	French, Vivan. <i>The Most Wonderful Thing in the World</i> . Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2015.	E F8894M
	A retelling of a fairy tale follows a young man who becomes a princess' unlikely suitor when the king and queen issue a decree that whoever presents them with the most wonderful thing in the world will win their daughter's hand in marriage.	
N/A	Isadora, Rachel. <i>Rapunzel</i> . New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, 2008.	E IS17R
	Recasts in an African setting the familiar fairy tale in which a beautiful girl with extraordinarily long hair is imprisoned in a lonely tower by a witch.	
AD700L	Pinkney, Jerry. <i>Little Red Riding Hood</i> . New York: Little, Brown, 2007.	E P65615LIT
	A sweet little girl meets a hungry wolf in the forest while on her way to visit her grandmother.	
GN480L	Powell, Martin. <i>The Elves and the Shoemaker: A Grimm Graphic Novel</i> . Mankato, MN: Stone Arch Books, 2011.	E P8714E
	Emrick the shoemaker can barely afford food for himself and his wife, but they give far more than they take. One day, Emrick's generosity compels him to trade a pair of shoes for a beautiful woodlands painting. He hangs the curious	

work of art on the wall and goes to sleep hungry. The next morning, he awakens to find a beautifully-crafted pair of shoes resting upon his desk. Later that night, Emrick and his wife watch from the shadows as several tiny elves emerge from inside the magical painting!

N/A Raschka, Christopher. *Peter and the Wolf*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2008. E
R1833P

Retells the orchestral fairy tale in which a boy ignores his grandfather's warnings and captures a wolf with the help of a bird, a duck, and a cat.

FICTION

HL690L Ahdieh, Renée. *The Wrath and the Dawn*. New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2015. F
AH27W

In this reimagining of The Arabian Nights, Shahrzad plans to avenge the death of her dearest friend by volunteering to marry the murderous boy-king of Khorasan but discovers not all is as it seems within the palace.

HL720L Cross, Sarah. *Kill Me Softly*. New York: Egmont USA, 2012. F
C88434K

When sixteen-year-old Mira runs away to discover her secret past, she finds a place where Grimm's fairy tales come to life, and she cannot avoid her accursed fate.

1030L Paterson, Katherine. *The Flint Heart: A Fairy Story*. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2011. F
P2732FLIN

A magical amulet brings power and despair to those who touch it.

GN420L Powell, Martin. *The Seven Voyages of Sinbad*. Mankato, MN: Stone Arch Books, 2011. F
P8714SE

The tale of Sinbad the sailor, who goes to sea in search of great riches and discovers even greater adventures. On his seven treacherous voyages, the Persian explorer braves a shipwreck, fights off savage cannibals, and battles a giant cyclops, hoping to survive and tell his legendary story.

660L Shurtliff, Liesl. *Rump: The True Story of Rumpelstiltskin*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2013. F
SH933R

Relates the tale of Rumpelstiltskin's childhood and youth, explaining why his

name is so important, how he is able to spin straw into gold, and why a first-born child is his reward for helping the miller's daughter-turned-queen.

NONFICTION

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| AD630L | Artell, Mike. <i>Jacques and de Beanstalk</i> . New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, 2010. | 398.2
AR759J |
| | In this Cajun version of "Jack and the Beanstalk," a handful of magic beans takes Jacques up through the clouds to the castle of a hungry giant. | |
| 580L | Gunderson, Jessica. <i>Snow White: 4 Beloved Tales</i> . North Mankato, MN: Picture Window Books, 2015. (Also in series: <i>Cinderella: 4 Beloved Tales</i> , <i>Rapunzel: 3 Beloved Tales</i> , and <i>Little Red Riding Hood: 3 Beloved Tales</i>) | 398.2
G955S |
| | Retells the classic German version of Snow White, together with three similar tales--Marigo of the Forty Dragons from Albania, The unnatural mother and the girl with a star on her forehead from Mozambique, and The magic needle from Turkey. | |
| NA | Hardyman, Robyn. <i>What is a Fairy Tale?</i> New York: Britannica Educational Publishing, in association with Rosen Educational Services, 2014. | 398.2
H2227WFAI |
| | This compelling book covers the basic components that make up fairy tales, as well as the purpose these fantastic tales serve in culture. | |
| AD860L | Lee, H. Chuku. <i>Beauty and the Beast: A Retelling</i> . New York: Amistad, 2014. | 398.2
L5124B |
| | Through her great capacity to love, a kind and beautiful maid releases a handsome prince from the spell which has made him an ugly beast. | |
| N/A | Rustad, Marth E.H. <i>Learning About Folktales, Fables, and Fairy Tales</i> . North Mankato, MN: Capstone Press, 2015. | 398.2
R928L |
| | If a story has magical creatures or a fairy princess, you're reading folklore. How else do you know? Quick, fun examples help you understand the magic of fairy tales, fables, and folk tales. | |
| N/A | Singer, Marilyn. <i>Mirror, Mirror: A Book of Reversible Verse</i> . New York: Dutton Children's Books, 2010. | 811
SI643M |
| | A collection of short poems which, when reversed, provide new perspectives on | |

the fairy tale characters they feature.

N/A Heppermann, Christine. *Poisoned Apples: Poems for You, My Pretty*. New York: Greenwillow Books, 2014. 811.6 H411P

Based on classic fairy tale characters and fairy tale tropes, the poems range from contemporary retellings to first person accounts set within the original stories.

PROFESSIONAL

N/A Raines, Shirley C. Silver Springs, MD: Gryphon House, 2011. 372.64 R135ST

There is nothing that children love more than a good story. *Story S-t-r-e-t-c-h-e-r-s* for the Primary Grades, Revised Edition connects ninety of the best children's books to early learning centers, stretching each story five ways with lively and entertaining activities that heighten reading readiness, sharpen comprehension skills, and expand the excitement of story time.

N/A Freeman, Judy. *The Handbook for Storytellers*. Chicago: ALA Editions, an imprint of the American Library Association, 2015. 372.677 F8774H

Since its first publication in 1977, *The handbook for storytellers* has been a classic in the field of storytelling and children's literature. It is filled with original ideas, book lists, and activities for using stories with children.

FRACTURED FAIRY TALES

A fairy tale or other folk tale that has been modified in such a way as to make us laugh at an unexpected characterization, plot development, or contrary point of view.

EASY

AD560L Bardhan-Quallen, Sudipta. *Snoring Beauty*. New York: Harper, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2014. E B2359S

A new spin on "Sleeping Beauty" told from the perspective of a little mouse who can't get to sleep because of the princess's very loud snoring

- N/A Braun, Eric. *Trust Me, Jack's Beanstalk Stinks! The Story of Jack and the Beanstalk as told by the Giant*. Mankato, MN: Picture Window Books, 2012. E
B7383T
- The giant tells what really happened when Jack kept climbing up the beanstalk and sneaking into his house.
- N/A Charles, Veronika Martenova. *It's Not About the Rose!* Toronto: Tundra Books, 2010. (Other titles by author include *It's Not About the Apple! It's Not About the Hunter! It's Not About the Pumpkin! And It's Not About the Crumbs!*) E
C3806ITR
- Presents three stories that are adaptations of the classic tale of "Beauty and the Beast" in which through her great capacity to love, a kind and beautiful maid releases a handsome prince from the spell which has made him an ugly beast.
- N/A Ketteman, Helen. *Bubba the Cowboy Prince: A Fractured Texas Tale*. New York: Scholastic Press, 2007. (Also by author: *The Three Little Gators*). E
K511B
- Loosely based on "Cinderella," this story is set in Texas, the fairy godmother is a cow, and the hero, named Bubba, is the stepson of a wicked rancher.
- N/A LaRochelle, David. *The End*. New York: Arthur A. Levine Books, 2007. E
L327E
- When a princess makes some lemonade, she starts a chain of events involving a fire-breathing dragon, one hundred rabbits, a hungry giant, and a handsome knight.
- 650L Schwartz, Corey Rosen. *Hensel and Gretel, Ninja Chicks*. New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2016. (Also by author: *The Three Ninja Pigs*). E
SCH952H
- To save their father from being stir-fried, two ninja chicken sisters take on a dark tangled forest, a tricky house made of corn bread, and an even trickier fox.
- 520L Shaskan, Trisha Speed. *Seriously, Cinderella is so Annoying! The Story of Cinderella as told by the Wicked Stepmother*. Mankato, MN: Picture Window Books, 2012. (Other title by author include *Honestly, Red Riding Hood was Rotten!*) E
SH249S
- The classic tale of Cinderella is told by her stepmother, who was not really so wicked after all.

AD720L Stimpson, Collin. *Jack and the Baked Beanstalk*. Somerville, MA: Templar Books, 2012. E
ST565J

After their café fails, Jack takes his mother's last few pennies and exchanges them for a can of magic baked beans that then lead Jack on a journey to a giant who is bored with counting his fortune.

AD500L Underwood, Deborah. *Interstellar Cinderella*. San Francisco, CA: Chronicle Books, 2015. E
UN25I

In this outer space adaptation of the fairy tale in rhyme, Cinderella dreams of becoming a spaceship mechanic.

FICTION

N/A Braun, Eric. *Little Red Riding Hood: An Interactive Fairy Tale*. North Mankato, MN: Capstone Press, 2016. F
B7383L

In this You Choose adventure Little Red Riding Hood can be a girl in an urban park, a boy in the middle of a war, or the more traditional girl in the forest--the choice is up to the reader.

710L Calonita, Jen. *Flunked*. Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks Jabberwocky, 2015. F
C137F01

When petty thief Gilly, who lives with five younger brothers and sisters in a run-down boot, gets caught stealing, she is sentenced to three months at Fairy Tale Reform School, where all of the teachers are former villains, including the Big Bad Wolf, the Evil Queen, and Cinderella's Wicked Stepmother.

720L Colfer, Chris. *The Land of Stories: The Wishing Spell*. New York: Little, Brown and Co., 2012. (Also by author: *The Land of Stories: The Enchantress Returns* and *The Land of Stories: A Grimm Warning*) F
C679L

Through the mysterious powers of a cherished book of stories, twins Alex and Conner leave their world behind and find themselves in a foreign land full of wonder and magic where they come face-to-face with the fairy tale characters they grew up reading about

690L Gidwitz, Adam. *A Tale Dark & Grimm*. New York: Dutton Children's Books, 2010. (Also by author: *In a Glass Grimly*) F
G361T

Follows Hansel and Gretel as they walk out of their own story and into eight

more tales, encountering such wicked creatures as witches, along with kindly strangers and other helpful folk. Based in part on the Grimms' fairy tales Faithful Johannes, Hansel and Gretel, The seven ravens, Brother and sister, The robber bridegroom, and The devil and his three golden hairs.

720L Hale, Shannon. *The Storybook of Legends*. New York; Boston: Little, Brown and Company, 2013. F
H135S

At Ever After High, a boarding school for the sons and daughters of famous fairy-tale characters, students Apple White and Raven Queen face the moment when they must choose whether to follow their destinies, or change them.

HL780L Howard, A.G. *Splintered*. New York: Amulet Books, 2013. F
H8309S01

Alyssa Gardner hears the whispers of bugs and flowers -- precisely the affliction that landed her mother in a mental hospital years before. This family curse stretches back to her ancestor Alice Liddell, the real-life inspiration for Lewis Carroll's Alice's Adventures in Wonderland. Alyssa might be crazy, but she manages to keep it together. For now. When her mother's mental health takes a turn for the worse, Alyssa learns that what she thought was fiction is based in terrifying reality. The real Wonderland is a place far darker and more twisted than Lewis Carroll ever let on. There, Alyssa must pass a series of tests, including draining an ocean of Alice's tears, waking the slumbering tea party, and subduing a vicious bandersnatch, to fix Alice's mistakes and save her family. She must also decide whom to trust: Jeb, her gorgeous best friend and secret crush, or the sexy but suspicious Morpheus, her guide through Wonderland, who may have dark motives of his own.

N/A Marr, Melissa (Ed.) *Rag & Bones: New Twists on Timeless Tales*. New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2013. F
R128

In this collection, award-winning and bestselling authors reimagine their favorite classic stories, the ones that have inspired, awed, and enraged them, the ones that have become ingrained in modern culture, and the ones that have been too long overlooked

HL600L Shulman, Polly. *The Grimm Legacy*. New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2010. F
SH9265G

New York high school student Elizabeth gets an after-school job as a page at the "New-York Circulating Material Repository," and when she gains coveted access to its Grimm Collection of magical objects, she and the other pages are drawn into a series of frightening adventures involving mythical creatures and stolen goods.

NONFICTION

AD600L Scieszka, Jon. *The Frog Prince, Continued*. New York: The Trumpet Club, 1991. (Also by author: *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs* and *The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales*). 398.2
SCI27F.A

After the frog turns into a prince, he and the Princess do not live happily ever after and the Prince decides to look for a witch to help him remedy the situation.

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