

Student's First & Last Name:	Literary Form: I raditional Tales	
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## Let's Read As Partners

**Genre: Traditional Tales** 

Stories passed down from generation to generation

Dewey Decimal: 398.2

Fables: • Teaches a moral or a lesson

Fairy tales: • Good/bad characters

Usually has a hero/heroine

Has magic

Often begins with, "Once upon a time . . ."

Conflicts are resolved through kindness, courage, intelligence

Explains the wonders of the world

Folk tales: • Common elements:

1. Fear of not being loved or of leaving home

2. Good and evil; right and wrong

3. Happiness, kindness, friendship, loyalty

• Hero is usually young and fair, kind and charitable, honorable,

courageous, unselfish, may possess special power

Myths: • Events, creatures, places whose description and existence in

the past cannot be known for certain

Natural situation or event is explained using symbolism

Pourquois tales: • Explains why something is as it is

Explains how something came to be

Tall tales:

• Exaggerated details describing things larger than they really

• Superhuman main character with a specific task

Problem is solved in a humorous or outrageous way

Based on actual people or on a composite of actual people

## List of optional activities:

1. Draw a picture of your favorite part of the story and explain why it is your favorite part.

2. Identify the type of traditional tale (i.e., fable, fairy tale, etc.) using the descriptions above.