



Five Famous Fairy Tales

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While reading

The Table, the Donkey and the Stick

1 Match A and B.

A	B
The three sons' mother was very poor and lovely food appeared on the magic table.
Tom said 'I am hungry' and the friendly man gave him a magic donkey.
Tom wanted to invite their friends from the village the donkey opened its mouth and gave Bob gold.
Bob worked hard for a year and got back his brothers' magic table and magic donkey.
When he said the magic word so they looked for work.
Jack came to the old man's house so that they could see the magic table.

2 Write why.

- a The old man worked all night when Tom was asleep because
- b Tom and Bob went back home after a year's work because
- c The old man wanted Bob's donkey because
- d Jack jumped out of bed and cried 'Stick! Out of the box!' because

3 Who is who? Choose the right words from the box.

The old man	The three sons' mother
The wood cutter	Tom

- a was angry because the old man had his magic table.
- b invited everybody in the village to their house.
- c was a very jealous person.
- d gave Jack a magic stick.

The Prince and His Servants

4 Look at the words in *italics>. Who or what are they?*

- a 'The queen will kill *you*. *You* are my only son.'
- b 'Will you eat with *me* tonight?'
- c '*We* are having a very interesting conversation. *We* are talking about tress and rivers?'
- d 'Your bedroom is ready. Your servants can sleep *there* too.'
- e '*They* are dead now.'

5 Who did it? Complete with one of the words in the box.

Fat Man	Big Ear	Cold Man	Quick Eyes
Long Arms			

- a was asleep and looked like a mountain.
- b put a hand over one eye when something was near him.
- c wore two thick coats and a big hat.
- d got the queen's jewel from the river.
- e heard the princess inside a tree.

6 Write why.

- a The poor king did not want his son to marry the princess because
- b The prince was very sad. He couldn't eat and he couldn't sleep because
- c The prince fell asleep when he was with the princess because
- d The queen asked her cook to make a big fire because
- e The queen left the country because

The Glass Box

7 Who is who? Complete with one of the words in the box.

eggs	gold	oranges	plates	jewels	money
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- a In the first room there is a dog with eyes as large as sitting on a box. In the box, there is some



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- b In the second room there is a dog with eyes as large as sitting on a box. In the box, there is some
- c In the third room there is a dog with eyes as large as sitting on a box. In the box, there are some

8 Write why.

- a The king shut the princess in a big house with high windows because
- b Hans put on his most expensive clothes and went to the king's home because
- c His 'rich' friends did not invite him to their homes because
- d Hans wanted to help the princess because

9 Match A and B.

When you bring me the box,	... the dog with the eyes like plates appears.
When the princess and I marry,	... the dog with the eyes like oranges appears.
When Hans hits the box once,	... I will give you threepence.
If you come near my house again,	... the dog with the eyes like eggs appears.
When Hans hits the box three times,	... white flowers will live in your garden again.
When Hans hits the box twice,	... I will cut off your head and put it on a stick.

The Fisherman and the Giant

10 Which words go with each person? Make sentences with these words.

Fisherman	lived in a house of white stone	could do magic	wanted to die
Giant	wife and three children	could not use his legs	was in love with her servant

Old king	lived in a jar for 300 years	only ate fish	the king killed him
Young king	liked the red, white and gold fish	was very angry	wanted to sell the gold jar
Queen	lived in a beautiful house	gave the fisherman gold	wanted to kill the fisherman
Queen's servant	did not love her husband	His feet were fine white stone	wanted to find the sea of the magic fish

11 Answer these questions about the fisherman.

- a What did the fisherman catch on a bad day?
- b What did the fisherman do with the gold from the beautiful fish?
- c Why didn't the fisherman get any fish for dinner?
- d Where did the fisherman take the older king?
- e Why was the fisherman never hungry again?

The White Birds

12 Five things are wrong. Find them and write the right sentences.

Elisa ran away from the king's house and looked for her ten brothers on ten black horses. An old fairy saw ten white horses. She knew they were princes because they had gold legs and jewels for hair. They were by the river.

13 Write: The end

Read the story again. Stop at the end of page 34 and change the way the story ends.

After reading

14 All these stories include at least one jealous person. In which story is:

- a a mother jealous of her daughter?
- b a man jealous of the things that people have?
- c a servant jealous of her mistress?
- d the jealous king's brother?
- e a king jealous of his wife's servant?



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The Table, the Donkey and the Stick

1 Are these sentences right or wrong? Change the wrong sentences.

- a Tom sold the magic table to the bad old man.
.....
- b Bob got gold from his donkey's mouth.
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- c Jack was very happy when he got the stick from the wood-cutter.
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- d The jealous man wanted to open Jack's box when he was asleep.
.....
- e The boy's mother never saw the magic donkey or the magic table.
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The Prince and His Servants

2 Which is right?

- 1 Which of these was **not** a job for the prince?
 - a) Bring a blue jewel from the river before the sun goes down.
 - b) Eat thirty chickens before 12 o'clock.
 - c) Bring the princess down from her high room but not use the door.

- 2 Which is wrong about the prince's father?
 - a) He loved his only son and did not want to lose him.
 - b) He was poor so he wanted a rich princess for his son.
 - c) He was poor so he did not have any servants.

- 3 The prince met the princess ...
 - a) but she was asleep after a short time.
 - b) before his dinner with the queen.
 - c) and they talked happily for a short time.

- 4 How did they get the princess back from the tree into the room?
 - a) Cold Man opened his coat and the river was ice. They ran across the river to the tree. They got the princess and Long Arms put her back in the high room.
 - b) Fat Man drank the water from the river. They walked to the other side and got her. Long Arms put her back in the high room.
 - c) Long Arms put one arm across the river. The other servants walked on his arm to the other side and brought the princess to the room.

- 5 How does the story end?
 - a) The prince married the princess and they went to live with the prince's father.
 - b) The prince married the princess and they lived happily with the servants.
 - c) The prince married the princess and they lived alone because the queen left and the servants got new jobs.

The Glass Box

3 What happened first? Number the sentences 1-5.

- a In the end, he married a beautiful princess. They lived happily and had six children.
- b Hans met an old woman. She gave him a magic blue coat and helped him find money and jewels. She only wanted a glass box.
- c He hit the box and the dogs appeared with bags of money. He was rich again. The dogs helped him many times.
- d He ate well and bought nice clothes. He liked the life of a rich man and soon he had only two jewels.
- e He found the money and the box but he did not give it to the old woman. He kept it.

The Fisherman and the Giant

4 Five things are wrong. Find them and write the right sentences.

There was a very poor fisherman. He had no money because he never caught any fish. But one day, he caught an old bottle. He opened it and looked inside. Some water came out and a great giant appeared. This giant was very happy. He wanted to kick the fisherman.

The White Birds

5 Answer these questions.

- a Why did the king marry a second time?
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- b What did the queen do to the ten princes?
.....
- c Where did Elisa live after she left home?
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- d Why did the king's brother want to kill Elisa?
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- e Who shouted 'No!'
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