

A New Twist on a New Tale



Fairy tales are likely targets for adaptations to their settings, characters and plots or story lines. One of the most rewritten tales is the story of Cinderella. There are versions of this story in many different cultures: Native American, French, Far Eastern Asia... many different settings. Try alternate versions of your favorite fairy tale to see how they can be changed but stay the same. Then you will have the chance to try your hand at creating your own.

- ❖ Read for 105 minutes this week (15 minutes each day). 1 pt.
- ❖ Fairy tales and traditional folklore have been visualized into movies such as Coco, Frozen, Moana and all of the movies like Cinderella, Snow White and others. Choose your favorite movie, pop some popcorn and sit down with family and friends and watch it again! 1 pt.
- ❖ Write a play script telling one of your favorite fairy tales of folk legends. Using wooden ice cream spoons or popsicle sticks, create your puppet actors. Find some help or go solo and perform the script that you have written. You do not have to perform for the librarians if you do not want to when you come in with your packet, but we are always looking for some fun....! 1 pt.
- ❖ Using a box of any size (shoebox to mailing box), cut a "window" at the top facing out as it stands on its short side. This will be where Rapunzel will look out as she awaits her rescue. Use proportionately sized materials (blocks, LEGOs or Duplos) to create a contraption to be able to reach Rapunzel and safely bring her down to the ground. 1 pt.
- ❖ Using rinsed/washed cardboard drink cartons (like school milk cartons), create the Three Little Pigs house....one of straw (or dried grasses and weeds), one of sticks and one of bricks/small stones. These building materials can be white glued or hot glued to the outside of the containers. After construction is complete and thoroughly dried, it is time to test out the huffing and puffing part of the story. Take a toilet paper roll and direct the stream of your strongest "puffing" and try to blow the house over. **After recording this below in the space provided**, try the same experiment without the roll but using a hair dryer. **Record the results of this second attempt** at "puffing" in the same area below. 1 pt.

- ❖ Another construction activity is to build the gingerbread house from the story of Hansel and Gretel. To make this fun and edible, use graham crackers and frosting then decorating with small candies. Try to get the house structure to remain standing before adding the decorations to the outside. The Frosting becomes the glue/ plaster/mortar. When adding the decorations, plop some frosting on the back of the candy and carefully add to the house. As in the opening instructions, this is for you to eat...PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE LIBRARIANS! 1 pt.
- ❖ Try your hand at editing by starting with a tried and true fairy tale. Somewhere in the middle of the story, begin to rewrite the story and changing the ending...either scary or happily ever after! Illustrate your story with one or more pictures. Some suggestions to get your creative juices flowing would be to create an alternative ending for Little Red Riding Hood (not too scary though please!) or the Three Little Pigs. 1 pt.
- ❖ Cut a strip of poster board or cardboard that is 2" wide by 18-22" long. Measure the fit for the circumference of the wearer's head. This will be the base of a crown-like headband to which you will attach paper streamers. Staples work the best for attaching the streamers. Staple 12-18 streamers (they can overlap each other) that are yards long. Braid the streamers so that you have Rapunzel-like braided hair when you place the "crown" on your head. 1 pt.

