

Cross-curricular extension unit 3

Language and literature: Traditional stories and fairy stories

1 Match the people and creatures 1–13 with the definitions a–m.

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| 1 prince | a a daughter of a king and a queen |
| 2 fairy | b the leader of a town or city |
| 3 mayor | c a person who plays a pipe |
| 4 witch | d a son of a king and a queen |
| 5 princess | e people who trade (buy or sell things) |
| 6 king | f a soldier who fights on a horse |
| 7 dwarves | g a ruler of a country (a man) |
| 8 dragon | h a person who hunts animals for food or sport |
| 9 queen | i a small creature with magical powers |
| 10 merchants | j a scary animal, that breaths fire |
| 11 knight | k an evil woman with magical powers |
| 12 hunter | l a ruler of a country (a woman) |
| 13 piper | m very small people |

2 Complete the stories with the words in exercise 1. Use some words more than once.

Sleeping Beauty

Sleeping Beauty is a story about a (1) p _____. The (2) k _____ and (3) q _____ love their daughter but a (4) w _____ hates her. She uses evil magic to kill Sleeping Beauty but a good (5) f _____ reverses the magic. All the people in the palace go to sleep for a hundred years. Then a handsome (6) p _____ comes and kisses her and she wakes up.

George and the Dragon

A (11) d _____ is eating all the people in a town. The (12) k _____ gives his daughter to the (13) d _____. George is a (14) k _____. When George hears about the (15) d _____, he comes and kills it.

Snow White

Snow White is also a story about a (7) p _____. The evil (8) q _____ is jealous of her beauty and wants to kill her. A (9) h _____ takes her into the forest but he doesn't kill her. She lives in the forest with seven (10) d _____.

The Piper of Hamelin

Hamelin is a city in Germany. There are lots of rats. The (16) m _____ are very unhappy. They can't trade because the rats are eating everything. They ask a (17) p _____ to kill the rats and they say they will give him gold. He plays music on his pipe and the rats jump in a river. But the (18) m _____ don't give the gold to the man. So he plays his pipe again and takes all of their children.

3 Read the text. Which stories in exercise 3 are fairy stories and which are folk stories?

There are two types of traditional story.

Fairy stories: These stories have magic and there are elves and fairies and animals that can speak.

Folk stories: These stories are usually about things that happened in the past. They explain strange or interesting things that happened.

- 1 Sleeping Beauty _____
- 2 Snow White _____
- 3 George and the Dragon _____
- 4 The Piper of Hamelin _____

4 Read the text. Is it a fairy story or a folk story?

Dick Whittington

Once upon a time there was a poor boy called Dick Whittington. One day he went to London to find a job.

London was a big city and Dick was tired. He went to sleep on the steps of a big house. Mr Fitzwarren lived in the house. He was a very rich merchant but he was also a good man. He gave Dick a job in the kitchen.

Dick had a little bedroom and there were a lot of rats in his room. Dick bought a cat. The cat chased the rats and Dick was very happy.

One day Mr Fitzwarren sent one of his ships to Africa to trade. All of his servants sent something to trade for gold. Dick sent his cat.

There was a cook in the kitchen who was horrible. He was very unkind to Dick so Dick decided to leave London. Then he heard the church bells. They said, 'Don't leave, Dick! You will be Lord Mayor of London.' So Dick went back to Mr Fitzwarren's house.

The ship came back and Dick was a rich man. The King of Barbary had a palace with lots of rats. He bought the cat for a lot of gold. The cat killed all of the rats.

Dick married Mr Fitzwarren's daughter. He became a merchant and he was Lord Mayor of London three times.

5 Read the story again. Then answer the questions.

- 1 Why did Dick go to London?

- 2 How did he meet Mr Fitzwarren?

- 3 Where did Dick work in Mr Fitzwarren's house?

- 4 What was the problem with Dick's bedroom?

- 5 What was Dick's answer to the problem?

- 6 Why did Dick send his cat on the ship?

- 7 Why did Dick leave Mr Fitzwilliam's house?

- 8 Why did Dick go back to the house?

- 9 Why did the King of Barbary buy the cat?

6 Think about your favourite fairy or folk story when you were a small child. Then answer these questions.

- 1 Who are the good people in the story?

- 2 Who are the bad people in the story?

- 3 Where do they live?

- 4 What do the bad people do?

- 5 What do the good people do?

- 6 What happens at the end of the story?

