FOLK TALES, MYTHS AND LEGENDS

Title: ADVENTURES OF PINOCCHIO

Author: COLLODI, CARLO, 1826-1890  
Original Date: 1882

A little wooden puppet that can talk, think, and feel as a normal boy has a giant curiosity that leads him into exciting and unexpected adventures. And every time he tells a lie, his nose grows and grows! [Also LB 242, “Pinocchio.”]

BR 07796   BR 14724   DB 55907   LB 242

Title: AFRICAN TALES: A BAREFOOT COLLECTION

Author: MHLOPHE, GCINA  
Original Date: 2009

Presents folktales and facts about eight African countries. From Senegal in West Africa, “Sea Wind” tells about the three children of a village girl and a handsome warrior who was really the sea wind in human form. For grades 3-6. 2009.

DB 71642

Title: ANDERSEN’S FAIRY TALES

Author: ANDERSEN, H.C. (HANS CHRISTIAN)  
Original Date: 1945


DB 49568
Title: BAREFOOT BOOK OF EARTH TALES

Author: CASEY, DAWN, 1975  
Original Date: 2009

Seven folktales—from Australia, Bali, India, Kazakhstan, Nigeria, Wales, and the American Southwest—express the concept that the Earth is sacred. In “The Magic Garden,” birds repay a kind-hearted young man’s generous act. An Earth-friendly activity accompanies each story. For grades 3-6. 2009.

DB 70330

Title: BEAUTY AND THE BEAST TALES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Author:  
Original Date: 2013

Containing more than 180 stories, this collection focuses on Animal Bridegroom tales, particularly those that can be identified as being variants of the “Beauty and the Beast” story. Includes the most well known variations, such as the 1740 Villeneuve novella, as well as new translations. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 2013.

DB 81671

Title: BRIDE WHO ARGUED WITH GOD: TALES FROM THE TREASURY OF JEWISH FOLKLORE

Author: BEN-ZVI, HAVA  
Original Date: 2006

Anthology of Jewish tales from immigrants in Israel, focusing on women and their relationships with men in courtship, marriage, business, and family. In the title story, a bride successfully argues with the angel of death, who comes to claim her groom at their wedding feast. 2006.

DB 67116
Title: CINDERELLA TALES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Original Date: 2012


DB 81503

Title: FAIRY TALES FROM THE BROTHERS GRIMM: A NEW ENGLISH VERSION

Original Date: 2012

Author of The Golden Compass (DB/RC 44343) retells fifty of what he considers the best of the tales from the Brothers Grimm’s Kinder- und Hausmachen. Includes Snow White, Cinderella, Briar Rose, Rumpelstiltskin, and others. Some violence. 2012.

DB 75821

Title: FAVORITE NORSE MYTHS

Original Date: 1996

Author: OSBORNE, MARY POPE


DB 73408
Title: FOLKTALES OF IRELAND

An English-language compilation of Gaelic lore featuring animals, kings and warriors, saints and sinners, fairies, magicians, and historical characters. In “The Fairy Frog,” a girl’s idle wish leads to a strange visit to a fairy palace, with unforeseen consequences. 1966.

DB 66584   DX 66584

Title: GOLDEN FLEECE AND THE HEROES WHO LIVED BEFORE ACHILLES

Recounts the adventures in ancient Greece of Jason and his Argonauts, who sought the famous Golden Fleece. Includes mythical tales of Orpheus, Atalanta, Theseus, and Pandora and her secret box. Originally published in 1921. DB 72149 has an introduction by Rick Riordan. For grades 5-8 and older readers. Newbery Honor Book 1922.

DB 72149

Title: GREEK MYTHS: STORIES OF SUN, STONE, AND SEA

Ten Greek myths, including the stories of creation, King Midas and his golden touch, Pegasus the flying horse, and Pandora’s box of woes. Includes index of gods and heroes. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 2012.

DB 77555
Title: GRIMM’S FAIRY TALES

Author: GRIMM, JACOB, 1785-1863

Original Date: 1955

Fifty-five of the best-loved tales including “Cinderella,” “Snow White,” “The Goose Girl,” “Hansel and Gretel,” and “Rumpelstiltskin.” For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1945.

DB 11751

Title: HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN: THE COMPLETE FAIRY TALES AND STORIES

Author: ANDERSEN, H.C. (HANS CHRISTIAN)

Original Date: 1983

The entire collection of Hans Christian Andersen’s stories. Translated into modern English in 1974 by bilingual Danish author Erik Christian Haugaard, following the text and sequence of Andersen’s original 1874 Danish edition. 1874.

DB 56309

Title: JASON AND THE ARGONAUTS

Author: APOLLONIUS, RHODIUS

Original Date: 2014

Translation in verse of Ancient Greek poem detailing the voyage of the hero Jason and his crew, the Argonauts—including Heracles and Orpheus, as they search for the Golden Fleece at the directive of King Pelias. They encounter treachery of all kinds, both from mortal and immortal foes. Some violence. 2014.

BR 20691   DB 80796
Title: KING WITH HORSE’S EARS AND OTHER IRISH FOLKTALES

Author: BURNS, BATT

Original Date: 2009

Thirteen tales, many passed down for generations, selected to entertain and reveal folk wisdom. The title story conveys the risk of keeping a secret, the power of a mother’s love, and the importance of being able to laugh at yourself. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 2009.

DB 69056

Title: MERMAID AND OTHER WATER SPIRIT TALES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Author:

Original Date: 2011

This collection gathers over 150 folktales, fairy tales, and ballads from around the world about mermaids and other water spirits, together with information on their history. Includes examples of the earliest scholarship on mermaids and similar creatures. Violence. 2011.

DB 81731

Title: MERRY ADVENTURES OF ROBIN HOOD

Author: PYLE, HOWARD, 1853-1911

Original Date: 1883

Recounts the legend of Robin Hood and his band of outlaws - including Little John, Friar Tuck, and Allan a Dale - who plunder the rich to help the poor. Describes mistakenly poaching the king’s deer and Sherwood Forest escapades against their enemy the Sheriff of Nottingham. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1883.

BR 16851   DB 63526
Title: MYTHOLOGY

Author: HAMILTON, EDITH, 1867-1963

Greek, Roman, and Norse myths retold, as nearly as possible in the words of the poet or poets who told each story best. Considered a classic in its field, this retelling is appropriate for both casual readers and students. 1942.

BR 05581   DB 20026   LB 00195

Title: ONCE UPON A TIME: TRADITIONAL LATIN AMERICAN TALES/HABIA UNA VEZ: CUENTOS TRADICIONALES LATINOAMERICANOS

Author: MARTINEZ, RUEBEN, 1940


DB 71639

Title: ONE THOUSAND AND ONE NIGHTS: A RETELLING

Author: SHAYKH, HANAN


BR 20173   DB 77131
Title: ORIGINAL FOLK AND FAIRY TALES OF THE BROTHERS GRIMM

Author: 

Original Date: 2014

All of the Grimms’ 156 stories from the 1812 and 1815 editions have been collected together. This 2014 translation by fairy-tale scholar Jack Zipes attempts to retain the spare descriptions and storytelling style of the originals, reflecting the stories’ roots in oral tradition. Some violence. 2014.

BR 20710   DB 80914

Title: POT O’ GOLD: A TREASURY OF IRISH STORIES, POETRY, FOLKLORE, AND (OF COURSE) BLARNEY

Author: KRULL, KATHLEEN 

Original Date: 2004

Limericks, ballads, poetry by Joyce and Yeats, and retellings of legends about mermaids, fairies, and leprechauns. Selections from the cultural heritage of Ireland balance child-friendly material with original sources. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 2004.

DB 72592

Title: RIP VAN WINKLE AND THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW

Author: IRVING, WASHINGTON, 1783-1859

Original Date: 1893

Two classic tales. The amiable but rather lazy Rip Van Winkle escapes his shrewish wife one day by tracking off to the mountains, where he meets a strange band of men. After drinking with them, he falls into a deep sleep and awakens twenty years later. In container with “The Legend of Sleepy Hollow.”

DB 16731   DX 16731
Title: STORIES FROM THE BILLABONG

Author: MARSHALL, JAMES VANCE, 1924

Ten Australian Aboriginal folktales about creation and the natural world, including pourquoi tales “How the Kangaroo Got Her Pouch” and “How the Crocodile Got Its Scales.” Facts about the featured animal, plant, or place follow each legend. For grades 3-6. 2008.

DB 71773

Title: TALES FROM THE TERLINGUA PORCH, VOLUME 1

Author: PITTMAN, BLAIR, 1937

Tales, often humorous, from the Big Bend area in West Texas. 2005.

DBC 00052  DLD  DT 06951

Title: TRICK OF THE TALE: A COLLECTION OF TRICKSTER TALES

Author: MATTHEWS, JOHN, 1948

Twenty folktales featuring tricksters from around the world—Japan, Canada, East Africa, the United States, England, Russia, and more. In the Irish tale “The King of All Birds,” a tiny wren outwits the mighty eagle to win the title. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 2008.

DB 68649
Title: TROLL’S-EYE VIEW: A BOOK OF VILLAINOUS TALES

Award-winning editors Ellen Datlow and Terri Windling collect stories that retell classic tales, such as “Jack and the Beanstalk” and “Rumpelstiltskin,” from the perspective of the villain. Authors include Garth Nix, Jane Yolen, and Nancy Farmer, among others. For grades 5-8. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2009.

Title: TURNIP PRINCESS AND OTHER NEWLY DISCOVERED FAIRY TALES

In the 1850s, Franz Xaver von Schonwerth traveled Bavaria, recording local fairy tales. Most of his work was lost until the early twenty-first century, when manuscripts were uncovered. This collection serves as the very first English translation of these tales. Translated from German. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 2015.

Title: TWELVE BOOKS IN ONE: ANDREW LANG’S COMPLETE “FAIRY BOOK” SERIES; TRADITIONAL FOLK TALES AND FAIRY STORIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Title: WOLF AT THE DOOR: AND OTHER RETOLD FAIRY TALES

Author: Original Date: 2001

Editors Ellen Datlow and Terri Windling collect stories from thirteen award-winning authors. These stories revisit classic tales with a look at what happens after “happily ever after,” or from the perspective of a different character, or with new twists introduced. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2001.

DB 81712

SPANISH LANGUAGE TITLES

Title: 365 CUENTOS Y RIMAS PARA NINAS (365 STORIES AND RHYMES FOR GIRLS)

Author: Original Date: 2005


DB 80966

Title: 365 CUENTOS Y RIMAS PARA NINOS (365 STORIES AND RHYMES FOR BOYS)

Author: Original Date: 2005


DB 77970
Title: AVENTURAS DE PINOCHO (THE ADVENTURES OF PINOCCHIO)

Author: COLLODI, CARLO, 1826-1890 


DB 61024 DLD DX 61024

Title: BREVES HISTORIAS PARA DORMIR: AUTORES DEL MUNDO; CUENTOS, FABULAS, Y LEYENDAS (SHORT BEDTIMES STORIES: AUTHORS OF THE WORLD; TALES, FABLES, AND LEGENDS)

Original Date: 2008

A collection of more than fifty short bedtime tales for children from various cultures around the world. Originally published in French. For grades K-3 and older readers. Spanish language. 2008.

DB 72986

Title: COMIZAHUAL: LEYENDAS, TRADICIONES Y RELATOS DE HONDURAS

Author: MEJIA, MEDARDO 

Translation: Comizahual: Legends, Traditions, and Stories of Honduras

Collection of more than forty narratives about the legends, traditions and history of Honduras. The title piece presents a dramatic retelling of the myth of Comizahual, the Toltec goddess who taught economy and agriculture to the matriarchal tribes and who fell in love with a human. Spanish language. 1981.

DB 48791 DLD DX 48791
Title: CUENTOS DE PERRAULT

Author: PERRAULT, CHARLES  

Original Date: 1973

A collection of classic, Spanish children’s stories. Included are: La Bella Drumiente del Bosque, Caperucita Roja, Barba Azul, El Gato con Botas, Las Hadas, La Cenicienta, Riquete, El de Copete, Pulgarcito, Grisedlis, Los deseos ridiculos and Piel de Asno.

CT 04369  DT 04369  IPT

Title: CUENTOS FOLKLORICOS LATINOAMERICANO: FABULAS DE LAS TRADICIONES HISPANAS E INDIGENAS (LATIN AMERICAN FOLK TALES: FABLES FROM HISPANIC AND INDIGENOUS TRADITIONS)

Author:  

Original Date: 2003

Anthology of more than one hundred folktales from twenty Spanish-speaking countries, including the United States. The tales include narratives based in pre-Columbian myths, colonial legends with European and Oriental origins, and dynamic stories from twentieth-century oral traditions of native populations. Includes notes and glossary of indigenous peoples. Spanish language. 2003.

DB 58953  DLD  DX 58953
Title: DE ORO Y ESMERALDAS: MITOS, LEYENDAS Y CUENTOS POPULARES DE LATINOAMERIC (GOLDEN TALES: MYTHS, LEGENDS, AND FOLKTALES FROM LATIN AMERICA)

Author: DELACRE, LULU   Original Date: 1998

Twelve stories adapted from the Indian folklore of Latin America, including the Tainos of the Caribbean, the Zapotecs of Mexico, the Muiscas of Columbia, and the Incas of Peru and Bolivia. For grades 4-7 and older readers.

DB 50287 DLD  DX 50287

Title: MAS BELLOS CUENTOS DE LAS MIL Y UNA NOCHES

Author: VERNET, JUAN   Original Date: 1965

Presenta sesenta y ocho cuentos de Las Mil y Una Noches, incluyendo “Aladino y la Lampara Magica,” “Sinbad, el Marinero,” y “La Historia de Ali Baba y los Cuarenta Ladrones.” (Collection of sixty-eight of the most beautiful tales from The Thousand and One Nights, including “Aladdin and the Magic Lamp,” “Sinbad the Sailor,” and “Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves.”) 1965.

DB 14379 DLD  DX 14379

Title: MIL Y UNA NOCHES (THE THOUSAND AND ONE NIGHTS)

Author:   Original Date: 2007

The maiden Sherezade agrees to marry King Shahryar although he executes his wives to prevent their infidelity. Sherezade tells the king enthralling stories for a thousand and one nights, thereby postponing her execution. Among her classic tales are those of Sinbad the Sailor, Aladdin, and Ali Baba. Spanish language. 2007.

DB 65952 DLD  DX 65952