



# WHY BEAR HAS A STUMPY TAIL AND OTHER CREATION STORIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD pdf

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School Work Fairy Tale Research paper Fairy tales and similar stories, are an integral part of human tradition. Few stories have changed very little since their original telling, while many have grown more fanciful over time as they were elaborated on. Fairy tales have been around for millennia, and were originally handed from one generation to the next by storytelling. The oral tradition of storytelling allowed each teller to make adaptations that pertained to current conditions, or to add different morals depending on the audience. The most common fairy tales were not originally written for children. They were later adapted by different writers or edited to make them acceptable for the younger generations. In Charles Perrault wrote fairy tales intended to be presented at the court of Versailles, each story was followed by a verse with a moral Fairy Tales. Fairy tales were originally told by women, and were often more inventive and nastier, than the tales first put into print Fairy Tales. The title Fairy Tales first appeared in the Oxford dictionary in Opie Just because a story is called a fairy tale doesn't necessarily mean it contains fairies. Very few fairy tales actually speak of the fairy folk Opie Fairy tales commonly contain some magical or fantastical element; size or shape changing, talking animals, or magical spells Heiner. They are an integral part of the story, and often what makes the stories so appealing to children and adults alike. The best known Fairy tales come from France and Germany. The Grimm Brothers, the first serious collector of Fairy tales, had their first book published in Berlin Opie The French stories are probably the most well known, because they traveled to England very early on. The story Little Red Riding Hood, was adapted to teach children a lesson, don't talk to strangers. Little Red Riding-Hood told the wolf her grandma lived beyond the mill and in the first house in the village Lang Blue The wolf went ahead, and ate the grandmother, and later ate Little Red Riding-Hood. In the story Beauty and The Beast, a beautiful woman falls in love with a man under a hideous spell, yet it tells children not to be deceived by appearances: Hansel and Gretel, also teaches children to be wary of strangers. An old witch ordered Gretel to fetch water, saying she will eat Hansel when he's fat enough, after she let them both stay in her house Lang Blue In the end they managed to get away but only after days of torment. The story Snowdrop or Snow White teaches us to be happy with how we are, and how to work cooperatively. When the Dwarfs came home from work, they found Snowdrop unconscious, and began to work together to save her Lang Red The Dwarfs made dance in red hot iron shoes at Snowdrops wedding Lang Red Fairy tales come from all parts of the world. Many are similar in content, with the same underlying moral or message, but with different characters and situations. Fairy tales tell a lot about a culture and how it views the world. Folklore helps to define how a culture thinks and reacts, Fairy tales are an important part of that Fairy Tales. Japanese Fairy tales deal primarily with attaining what you want or deserve. Many involve Gods or God-like elements. Urashimataro and the Turtle is about a boy who while lost at sea falls in love with the Daughter of the Sea; later he discovers he has been gone from the normal world for years. The story tells children that they should respect and cherish their parents. The good son who from love to his parents had given up for their sakes the splendor and wonders of the palace in the sea, and the most beautiful woman in the world besides Lang Pink The story of the One-Inch Fellow teaches people to believe in themselves. The princess he was protecting, found a magic hammer the Oni left behind, and he was then turned into a normal sized man. For the rest of their lives One-Inch Fellows parents walked to the temple to pray their thanks Haviland Japan In Russia a common element in their Fairy tales is the Tsar or ruler. Some tales involve the creation of something, animal or human, that comes to life. Ivan is the youngest son of the Tsar but he is also the most dutiful to his father. The story teaches children to cherish their friends for you may need them. Ivan cried when his good friend the wolf left him, later Ivan was killed by his brothers and all his possessions stolen. The wolf finds him dead, and

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convinces a crow to fetch him the magical life-and-death water, which he uses to restore Ivan Stonebarger. Ivan later married the princess he had found, and his brothers were imprisoned. Vasilisa the Beautiful urges children to try their best, by saying that no matter how bad a situation looks, if you try your best; you will succeed. Vasilisa worked her flax so well, the thread she made from it was as fine as hair. The thread was later turned into a beautiful linen, that was used to make shirts for the Tsar, who later married her in Haviland Russia. Vasilisa brought her father and the woman that took her in, to live with her in her palace in Haviland Russia. A very fundamental part of Greek Fairy tales appears to be the shepherd, in almost every story the main character is a shepherd or a goatherd. Later when the poor shepherd becomes rich, the daughter has a party for the King, who then finds out that salt is the best spice, and he realizes what his daughter meant in Haviland Greece. Many Norwegian Fairy tales are about why something is the way it is. Why the Sea Is Salty explains why the sea is salty. The skipper of a ship bought the magic mill from a rich man, on his ship he ordered it to grind salt but he couldn't figure out how to turn it off. His boat got full of salt and it sank, taking the magic mill to the bottom of the ocean, where it still grinds out salt in Haviland Norway. In the story Why the Bear is Stumpy-tailed it tells how a fox tricked the bear into freezing its tail off. The fox told the bear it caught fish by making a hole in the ice and sticking its tail in. The bear, who believed the fox, did exactly what he had been told but he ended up ripping his tail off and that is why the bear has a stumpy tail in Haviland Norway. The majority of Polish Fairy tales are about royalty. It contains all the same story elements, only the moral changes to state that we should forgive others. Prince Jan's brothers had killed him but he forgave them for their weakness in Haviland Poland. From Italy we get perhaps the original version of Cinderella called Cenerentola. This version of the story varies slightly from the tale commonly known. In Cenerentola Zozzola, the girl we know as Cinderella, lives with six step-sisters, and her father is still alive but loses interest in her in Haviland Italy. In the end her father remembers her but is too ashamed to bring her before the King. The King orders him to bring her, and when the slipper gets near her foot it goes on all by itself in Haviland Italy. Fairy tales from Sweden often include animals, something mystical, or royalty. The names in the stories reflect the region from which they came. The story Pinkel teaches people not to be spiteful or envious. Pinkel's older brothers are jealous of him, they convince the King that he should have some of the riches they found on a witches island. The brothers convince the King to send Pinkel because he knows where everything is in Haviland Sweden. Pinkel gets everything the King asks for and is rewarded by being allowed to marry the Princess in Haviland Sweden. Scottish Fairy tales commonly contain little folk or fairies. The Scottish fairies like to drink and are usually very rude. The Page boy and the Silver Goblet is about a page boy that is curious to know what the little folks' homes look like. When he is visiting them, they are drinking from a silver goblet that always remains full and that can change taste depending on what you want to drink in Haviland Scotland. The boy waits until the fairies are very drunk before he steals the goblet and runs away in Haviland Scotland. Fairy tales are a very diverse group of stories that have been adapted to serve a purpose, educating and entertaining the young. The adaptations to the stories add elements that capture the attention and at the same time teach us valuable lessons. The most popular Fairy tales have changed with each telling and yet their core remains the same. Fairy tales Introduction and The Tales and their Tellers [http: Favorite Fairy Tales Told in Greece](http://www.favoritefairytales.com/). Little, Brown and Company, Haviland, Virginia. [Favorite Fairy Tales Told in Italy](http://www.favoritefairytales.com/). [Favorite Fairy Tales Told in Japan](http://www.favoritefairytales.com/). [Favorite Fairy Tales Told in Norway](http://www.favoritefairytales.com/). [Favorite Fairy Tales Told in Poland](http://www.favoritefairytales.com/). [Favorite Fairy Tales Told in Russia](http://www.favoritefairytales.com/). [Favorite Fairy Tales Told in Scotland](http://www.favoritefairytales.com/). [Favorite Fairy Tales Told in Sweden](http://www.favoritefairytales.com/). Little, Brown and Company, Heiner, Heidi. What is a Fairy Tale [http: The Viking Press, Lang, Andrew](http://www.favoritefairytales.com/). The Classic Fairy Tales. Oxford University Press, Stonebarger, Andrew.

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### 3: August House: Story Cove | All About myON

*Why The Bear Has a Stumpy Tail on Stories for Kids | ONE winter's day the bear met the fox, who came slinking along with a string of fish he had stolen. "Hi! ONE winter's day the bear met the fox, who came slinking along with a string of fish he had stolen.*

Please also let others know about this site. Some think it should end altogether. Obviously I enjoy his tale of Cuffy Bear, but feel his hibernation story was just too anthromorphized for my taste. All this sent me hunting and then I found the posting of the Cherokee tale of "The Origin of Disease and Medicine" where bears and then other animals bring disease upon people for humans hunting and otherwise hurting them. Bears may not be cuddly in real life, but they do make for some good stories. I decided to look at what stories were saved at the old Story-Lovers site on the Archive. Searching Out Stories to scroll down through the many story topics and click on the story topic that interests you. One of the best known bear stories, which has been used to produce evidence of the Scandinavian influence Vikings in Canada! My only change in my own telling is to have the bear wait longer hoping he gets lots of fish. Guess I need to change my description of how to fish for more stories on the old Story-Lovers website. Thank you, Jackie Baldwin, for all your work for 12 years in keeping it going. I feel strongly current copyright law delays this intent on works of the 20th century. My own library of folklore includes so many books within the Public Domain I decided to share stories from them. I hope you enjoy discovering new stories. At the same time, my own involvement in storytelling regularly creates projects requiring research as part of my sharing stories with an audience. Whenever that research needs to be shown here, the publishing of Public Domain stories will not occur that week. This is a return to my regular posting of a research project here. Response has convinced me that "Keeping the Public in Public Domain" should continue along with my other postings as often as I can manage it. I have long recommended it and continue to do so. Perez has the largest database, although his offering the Motif Index certainly qualifies for those of us seeking specific types of stories. Possibly searches maintained it. It took some patience working back through claims of snapshots but finally in December of it appears! Somebody as of this writing whose stories can still be found by his website is the late Chuck Larkin - <http://> I prefer to list these sites by their complete address so they can be found by the Wayback Machine, a. You can see why I recommend these to you. Have fun discovering even more stories!

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But how did he lose it? Ah, therein hangs a tail-er, sorry, tale! The bear was very proud of his beautiful tail. He took great care of it and spent hours brushing it out and keeping it glossy and tangle-free. Wherever he went, he would spread it out like a fan behind him, and people had to walk round it. Everyone was on tenterhooks around him, for, if they stepped on it by accident, he would nearly snap their heads off! So, without exception they all told him, "Yes indeed, Bear yours is the most magnificent tail in the whole world! And it makes you really smart and handsome! As it turned out, among the animals who admired his tail was one who had resolved to teach him a lesson he would never forget! This was none other than the fox, who was furious with him ever since the day he had slapped him for treading on his precious tail. From then on, the fox had been biding his time, awaiting revenge! One icy cold day, the bear went lumbering down to the lake in the middle of winter; the lake was completely frozen over. As he neared the lake, he saw a most alluring spectacle. On the bank sat the fox, and he was surrounded by a pile of fish! He approached the fox and said, "Hello, brother Fox! Where did you get all those fish? Now the bear was really astonished. But how can you fish with your tail? Can I catch fish with my tail, too? Would you like me to show you how to do it? The fox peered into the hole in the ice and said, "There are no more fish left in this! The bear swiftly dug out a hole in the ice with his claws. However, he wanted the fish so badly that he quickly forgot the cold. Sit absolutely still, and wait until a number of fish have bitten, and then you can pull out your tail with your magnificent catch! It was tiring and after a while, he dozed off. It became very cold and started snowing. The fox collected his fish and returned home. After a couple of hours, he came back to the lake. He saw that the bear was still exactly as he had left him. His fur coat was completely covered with snow, and he was snoring away to glory. It was such a ludicrous sight that the fox burst out laughing. Finally, he composed himself and went up to the bear. He then shouted, "Bear, wake up! Can you feel it? He could feel a sharp pain in his behind. The next moment, there was a popping sound. Looking behind him, he saw, to his horror that his beautiful black tail had snapped right off! There it lay, as if mocking him- a stiff, frozen lump of fur, stuck in the transparent ice! All that was left on his backside was a small stump- an apology for a tail. My lovely long tail! The fox ran away, laughing heartily. The bear would have given anything to be able to get his hands on the fox; if he had caught him that day, he would have killed him! But the fox knew this and was crafty enough to keep out of his way thereafter. And that is how the bear lost his beautiful tail. To this day, bears sport short, stumpy tails. Do not blindly believe what others say.

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### 5: Ann Pilling | LibraryThing

*The hole in the ice has frozen over and your tail is stuck fast in the ice. Hang onto my antlers. (bear grabs nose) No, not my nose, grab my antlers and we'll pull together.*

Well, that was quick. But I could think of something we should do. See all those people out there? Happy Christmas to all and to all a good night! Betsy submitted a timely puppet show script, along with two others I will be posting in the next few days. If you have an original script you would be willing to share, please send it to grannysueholstein yahoo. Collapse on stage I have so much to do, and all I want to do is sleep. My age is creeping up on me. Why the gloomy face? I know, Holly, I know. Let someone younger drive the sleigh full of toys this Christmas Eve. But who could take over and do the job right? Any of the elves could do it. I think I could it. But how to choose? Yes, whoever can fill this room up to the very top with the best reason for the season will drive my sleigh. This should be interesting. I wonder which elf will figure out the puzzle first. Offstage to push in reindeer. Come on Dancer and Prancer. Vixen and Blixen stop fighting with each other. Let me get Santa. Enters Yes, Holly, what have you done? I filled up the shop with Christmas spirit. Am I the best? It was a good idea, but not quite good enough. Holly, please take those reindeer outside before they make a huge mess inside. That was a mistake. Well, wonder who will be next to try? Well, at least I tried. Whoa, slow down, take it easy. And so all the elves thought about the contest all during the night. The next dayâ€¦ Juniper: I have a good idea how to fill up the shop. It seems like every time I turn around, I have to fill up their manger. Oh Santa, I won, I filled your shop with the most Christmas spirit. I brought in bags of reindeer chow, reindeer pellets, reindeer treats, reindeer carrots, reindeer hay, reindeer cookies. What a huge pile! I had no idea reindeer ate all that much food. I wonder if I should replace them with something more modern, like a helicopter? Take all those sacks back out to the barn. You do a wonderful job feeding the reindeer; I really appreciate that. Just my tough luck. Exits with food Santa: Maybe this is too tough of a puzzle for my elves. Oh no, I was thinking of something we have tons ofâ€¦like snow. I could shovel all day and fill up your shop with snow, up to the very ceiling with a mountain of snow. That would be Christmasy. And we could slide down my hill and go skiing and never have to play outside. But Peppermint, slow down, think a minute. What happens when you bring snow inside? Snow melts and that means my shop would be a-slosh with water. I could chop down all the trees around the North Pole and bring those inside. No trees means nothing to bring inside. Think carefully before you act. Hmmm, I have it. Peppermint, stop to think before you rush off. Oh dear, what is he going to try next? I brought in all the wrapped gifts we were going to give to children on Christmas Eve. What an enormous pile! That should fill the bill with the most Christmas spirit. Oh Santa, I did it! Sorry, but load them back on the sleigh, ready for Christmas Eve. The most spirit of the season? I wonder what that is? Do you know the answer? But Santa, I think I have a solution to your puzzle. None of the other older elves could figure it out. I guess I expected too much. But Santa, I know the answer. But Santa, are you listening to me? You run off and drink some hot chocolate, brush your teeth before bedtime. But Santaâ€¦ Santa â€¦ Santa!!! Santa, listen to me. I can fill your shop with Christmas spirit. None of the other elves could figure out the answer. But Santa, it would and I can and I will. Just turn off the lights for me, okay? I wonder why he wants the lights off. I just stubbed my toe. You better be on your way to bed, young elf. The glow from a candle. This entire room is filled to the brim with light, from the darkest corners to the tippy top of the ceiling. And Santa, not only will light fill your shop, but laughter and music and singing and happiness and love. I guess you get to drive the sleigh, Mistletoe. But Santa, I have a problem. Wish you may, wish you might, have a season filled with happiness and light. Ho, ho ho, with light and love and joy and peace. A Merry Christmas to all and to all a Good Night!

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*One of the best known bear stories, which has been used to produce evidence of the Scandinavian influence (Vikings in Canada!) in North America with the Native Americans/First Nations, is the story of "Why the Bear Is Stumpy Tailed" or variations on its title.*

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