FRACTURED FAIRY TALES

Fiction

All titles are shelved alphabetically by the author’s last name in the Easy section unless otherwise noted.

When the residents of Hidden Forest wake up and open their morning papers, they are in for a surprise. An enormous beanstalk has mysteriously sprouted outside of Jack Blake's house, and Jack is nowhere to be found. Meanwhile, Pinocchio and Half-Chicken have set out on adventures of their own, and Tortoise and Hare are off to the races. Will they all find their happy endings?

Auch, Mary Jane and Herm Auch. Chickerella. (Easy Auch)
This barnyard version of the Cinderella story features a mild-mannered chicken, a fashion-conscious Fairy Godmother, and a prince at a Fowl Ball.

Auch, Mary Jane. The Princess and the Pizza. (Easy Auch)
An out-of-work princess applies to become the bride of Prince Drupert, but first she must pass several tests, including a cooking contest.

Birdseye, Tom. Look Out, Jack! The Giant is Back! (Easy Birdseye)
Taking up where “Jack and the Beanstalk” left off, the felled giant’s big brother comes after Jack, but once again Jack’s quick mind gets him out of trouble in the nick of time.

Child, Lauren. Who’s Afraid of the Big Bad Book? (Easy Child)
A boy who loved books but has not always treated them well falls asleep and finds himself in his book of fairy tales, where his interaction with everyone from Goldilocks to Cinderella wreaks havoc.

Conway, David. The Great Fairy Tale Disaster. (Easy Conway)
When an old Big Bad Wolf, who no longer has enough huff and puff to blow down a house, tries to find a nice relaxing fairy tale for a change, he winds up making a big mess for Cinderella, Rapunzel, and other well-known characters.

Edwards, Pamela Duncan. Princess Pigtoria and the Pea. (Easy Edwards)
To make her pigsty of a palace picturesque again, penniless Princess Pigtoria tries to get the pompous porker Prince Proudfoot to propose marriage.

Emmett, Jonathan. The Princess and the Pig. (Easy Emmett)
When a new baby princess accidentally changes places with a piglet, both of their lives are forever changed.

Ernst, Lisa Campbell. The Gingerbread Girl. (Easy Ernst)
Like her older brother, the Gingerbread Boy, who was eventually devoured by a fox, the Gingerbread Girl eludes the many people who would like to eat her but also has a plan to escape her sibling’s fate.

Gardner, Carol. Princess Zelda and the Frog. (Easy Gardner)
Once upon a time there was a princess named Zelda. One day, when she is out in her finest dress playing with her favorite golden ball, she tosses her ball up in the air, and it lands--splat!--in the mud. Princesses don’t go in the mud. How will she ever get back her favorite ball? Along comes an ugly, disgusting frog who will help her, but in return, Zelda must promise to be his best friend forever.

Gidwitz, Adam. A Tale Dark and Grimm. (Juvenile Fiction Gidwitz)
Follows Hansel and Gretel as they walk out of their own story and into eight more tales, encountering such wicked creatures as witches, along with kindly strangers and other helpful folk. Based in part on the Grimms’ fairy tales Faithful Johannes, Hansel and Gretel, The seven ravens, Brother and sister, The robber bridegroom, and The devil and his three golden hairs.

Grey, Mini. The Very Smart Pea and the Princess-to-Be. (Easy Grey)
The pea gives its own version of what happened in the fairy tale, "The Princess and the Pea," from the time of its birth in the Palace Garden until it helps arrange a royal marriage.
Hodgkinson, Leigh. **Goldilocks and Just One Bear.** (Easy Hodgkinson)
Little Bear, all grown up, finds himself lost in a noisy, busy city where he happens to bump into someone with golden hair who remembers exactly how he likes his porridge.

Hopkins, Jackie. **The Horned Toad Prince.** (Easy Hopkins)
In this retelling of "The Frog Prince," a spunky cowgirl loses her new sombrero and is helped by a horned toad on the understanding that she will do three small favors for him.

Jackson, Ellen B. **Cinder Edna.** (Easy Jackson)
Cinderella and Cinder Edna, who live with cruel stepmothers and stepsisters, have different approaches to life; and, although each ends up with the prince of her dreams, one is a great deal happier than the other.

LaRochelle, David. **The End.** (Easy LaRochelle)
When a princess makes some lemonade, she starts a chain of events involving a fire-breathing dragon, one hundred rabbits, a hungry giant, and a handsome knight.

Marsoli, Lisa Ann. **The Princess and the Frog.** (Easy Disney)
A re-imagining of the classic fairy tale, set in New Orleans and involving a hard-working would-be restaurant owner, a carefree foreign prince, and a sinister magician.

O’Malley, Kevin. **Animal Crackers Fly the Coop.** (Easy O’Malley)
In this humorous take-off of "The Bremen Town Musicians," four animals that aspire to make it big as comedians leave their owners and seek their fortunes.

Osborne, Will and Mary Pope Osborne. **Sleeping Bobby.** (Easy Osborne)
A retelling of the Grimm tale featuring a handsome prince who is put into a deep sleep by a curse until he is awakened by the kiss of a brave princess.

Palatini, Margie. **The Three Silly Billies.** (Easy Palatini)
Three billy goats, unable to cross a bridge because they cannot pay the toll, form a car pool with The Three Bears, Little Red Riding Hood, and Jack of beanstalk fame to get past the rude Troll.

Schwartz, Corey Rosen. **The Three Ninja Pigs.** (Easy Schwartz)
In this twist on "The Three Little Pigs" tale, Pig One and Two neglect their ninja school martial arts training and are no match for the wolf, but Pig Three's practice and dedication saves the day. Includes glossary of Japanese martial arts terms.

Scieszka, Jon. **The Frog Prince Continued.** (Easy Scieszka)
After the frog turns into a prince, he and the Princess do not live happily ever after and the Prince decides to look for a witch to help him remedy the situation.

Scieszka, Jon. **The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales.** (Easy Scieszka)
Madcap revisions of familiar fairy tales.

Scieszka, Jon. **The True Story of the Three Little Pigs.** (Easy Scieszka)
The wolf gives his own outlandish version of what really happened when he tangled with the three little pigs.

Shannon, Margaret. **The Red Wolf.** (Easy Shannon)
Roselupin, a princess locked in a tower by her overprotective father, uses yarn to knit a red wolf suit to free herself.

Smith, Stu. **Goldilocks and the Three Martians.** (Easy Smith)
In a porridge-powered rocket ship, Goldilocks sets out to find a planet "where everything's just right" and has a close encounter with a Martian family.
Stegman-Bourgeois, Karen. **Trollerella**. (Easy Stegman-Bourgeois)
This version of the Cinderella story features a troll living under a bridge who finds an invitation to a ball, where she dances with Prince Charming.

Stimpson, Colin. **Jack and the Baked Beanstalk** (Easy Stimpson)
After their café fails, Jack takes his mother’s last few pennies and exchanges them for a can of magic baked beans that then lead Jack on a journey to a giant who is bored with counting his fortune.

Squires, Janet. **The Gingerbread Cowboy**. (Easy Squires)
A freshly baked gingerbread cowboy escapes from the rancher’s wife's kitchen and eludes his pursuers in this western United States version of the “Gingerbread Boy.”

Waters, Fiona. **Don’t Kiss the Frog: Princess Stories With Attitude**. (Easy Don’t)
This collection of six stories about princesses with attitude turns fairy-tale traditions upside down.

Wilcox, Leah. **Falling for Rapunzel**. (Easy Wilcox)
A prince tries to get Rapunzel to throw down her hair so he can rescue her, but she mishears him and throws down random objects from her room instead.

Willems, Mo. **Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs**. (Easy Willems)
Once upon a time, there were three hungry Dinosaurs: Papa Dinosaur, Mama Dinosaur . . . and a Dinosaur who happened to be visiting from Norway. One day--for no particular reason--they decided to tidy up their house, make the beds, and prepare pudding of varying temperatures. And then--for no particular reason--they decided to go . . . someplace else. They were definitely not setting a trap for some succulent, unsupervised little girl. Definitely not!

**Juvenile Nonfiction**

Johnston, Tony. **Bigfoot Cinderrerrrrrella**. (Juvenile Nonfiction 398.2 J648b)
This version of the familiar story in which a mistreated step-child finds happiness with the "man" of her dreams is set in the old-growth forest and features Bigfoot characters.

Ketteman, Helen. **Senorita Gordita** (Juvenile Nonfiction 398.2 K511s)
Resets the tale of the Gingerbread boy in the southwest, where the scrumptious Gordita eludes her pursuers until she meets a clever owl. Includes glossary of Spanish terms and a gorditas recipe.

Osborne, Mary Pope. **Kate and the Beanstalk**. (Juvenile Nonfiction 398.2 Os1k)
In this version of the classic tale, a girl climbs to the top of a giant beanstalk, where she uses her quick wits to outsmart a giant and make her and her mother’s fortune.

Price, Kathy. **The Bourbon Street Musicians**. (Juvenile Nonfiction 398.2 P931b)
A Cajun retelling of the classic tale of four animals, past their prime, who set out together to become musicians.

Singer, Marilyn. **Follow, Follow: a Book of Reverso Poems**. (Juvenile 811.54 Si643f)
A collection of short poems called reversos which, when reversed, provide new perspectives on the fairy tale characters they feature.

Trivizas, Eugene. **The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig**. (Juvenile Nonfiction 398 TRI)
An altered retelling of the traditional tale about the conflict between pig and wolf--with a surprise ending.

Yolen, Jane. **Grumbles from the Forest: Fairy-tale Voices with a Twist**. (Juvenile 811.54 Y78g)
Collection of poetry of classic fairy tale characters but told from an unfamiliar perspective.