

Fairy Tale Origins: A Historical Look

Fairy Tales & Fables · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. Which pair of brothers are famously known for collecting and publishing German fairy tales in the 19th century?

- A) The Brothers Grimm**
- B) The Brothers Karamazov
- C) The Brothers Von Trapp
- D) The Brothers Lumière

2. The fairy tale 'Cinderella' has origins that can be traced back to ancient Egyptian times, with a story about a Greek slave girl named Rhodopis. What was her unique item that was later found by the Egyptian king?

- A) A single glass slipper**
- B) A golden apple
- C) A red cloak
- D) A jeweled ring

3. Hans Christian Andersen, a renowned storyteller, wrote many classic fairy tales. Which of these famous tales was NOT written by him?

- A) The Little Mermaid
- B) Snow White**
- C) The Ugly Duckling
- D) The Emperor's New Clothes

4. The fable of 'The Tortoise and the Hare,' teaching the moral of slow and steady winning the race, is attributed to which ancient Greek storyteller?

- A) Aesop**
- B) Homer
- C) Socrates
- D) Plato

5. The tale of 'Little Red Riding Hood' has roots in oral traditions and was first published in a collection by which French author in the late 17th century?

- A) Charles Perrault**
- B) Victor Hugo
- C) Alexandre Dumas
- D) Jules Verne

6. The story of 'Beauty and the Beast' was first published in a written form by which French writer in the mid-18th century?

A) Jeanne-Marie Leprince de Beaumont

B) Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

C) Gustave Flaubert

D) Émile Zola

7. Many fairy tales were passed down orally for generations before being written. What is the term for stories passed down by word of mouth?

A) Oral tradition

B) Written narrative

C) Published literature

D) Recorded history

8. The fairy tale 'Rapunzel' was collected and published by the Brothers Grimm. What was its original German title?

A) Rapunzel

B) Schneewittchen

C) Aschenputtel

D) Dornröschen

9. The story of 'The Three Little Pigs' is a well-known fable. Its origins can be traced back to which century?

A) 19th century

B) 15th century

C) 17th century

D) 11th century

10. The collection 'One Thousand and One Nights,' also known as 'Arabian Nights,' features many famous tales. What is the name of the frame story's storyteller who tells these tales?

A) Scheherazade

B) Ali Baba

C) Aladdin

D) Sinbad