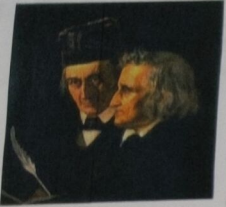


Fairy tails

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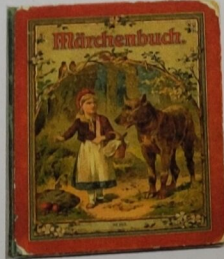


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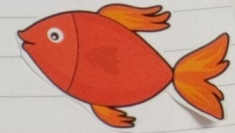
Many of the world's best known fairy tales come from Germany, and they were all written down by two brothers who lived 200 years ago. Their names were Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm.

The Brothers Grimm were born in a small town in Germany called Hanau. In the early 1800s, fairy tales (called "Märchen" in German) that people had passed down from one generation to the next were becoming very popular, and the two brothers decided to collect a lot of these stories so that they wouldn't become lost in the future (back then, people normally just told stories and didn't write them down).

In 1812, they published the first volume of their fairy tales, which contain such classics as "Hänsel und Gretel" (Hansel and Gretel), "Der Froschkönig" (The Frog King), "Schneewittchen" (Snow White), "Rotkäppchen" (Little Red Riding Hood), "Aschenputtel" (Cinderella), "Rapunzel" and "Die Bremer Stadtmusikanten" (The Bremen Town Musicians). The stories were soon published in English and other European languages and are still popular around the world.



Although we often think fairy tales are stories for children, a lot of these stories originally have very scary elements in them that people nowadays cut out from retellings and new editions. For example, in "Aschenputtel" (Cinderella), some of Cinderella's bird friends attack the mean stepsisters and poke their eyes for being so vain and cruel to Cinderella. There are even some stories that the Brothers Grimm had to take out or edit because they were so scary!



The Cat and Zebra! / Die Katze und das Zebra!

Once upon a time there was a cat who lived in a tree. The cat was very wise. She had 738 books! However the cat was starting to become very lonely one day a toad came to tell her about a fish so she decided to go on a journey to find it! On the journey the cat met a charming zebra who lived in a pond they fell in love and lived happily ever after!

Es war einmal eine Katze die Katze war sehr klug sie hatte 738 Bücher! Jedoch wurde die Katze sehr einsam. Eines Tages erzählte ihr eine Kröte einen zauberhaften Löffel/ Dolch/ Fisch/ Drache. Deshalb entschied er/ sie sich eine Reise zu machen, um ihn zu finden! Auf dem Weg traf die Katze ein bezauberndes Zebra das in einem Teich. Sie verliebten sich und sie waren dann für immer glücklich!

