TRADITIONAL LITERATURE

TYPE	FAIRY TALES	FABLES	MYTHS	LEGENDS	TALL TALES
CHARACTERS	• Animals • Royalty	• Animals acting like people	• Gods and goddesses	• Ordinary people • Animals are often main characters	• Ordinary people with supernatural abilities
SETTING	• Castle • forest	• Usually outdoors	• Ancient times • Sense of mystery	• Specific to legend	• Linked to the historical time period
CONFLICT + THEME	• Good vs. Evil	• One main problem using a trickster	• Explains something that happens in nature • Good is rewarded • Evil is punished	• Explains how something in nature came to be	• Problem solved in a humorous way
RESOLUTION	• Magic	• Ends with a lesson	• Magic can teach a lesson	• Exaggerated details teach a lesson	• Exaggerated details tell of a person's accomplishments