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Maths is everywhere! It's in everything we do, in all we have ever done and in the things we want to do in the future. So it's no surprise that we can also find it in the stories that we tell and that we read.

Explore the maths that can be found in the history, myths and legends of the past, in children's fairy stories and true adventures, as well as the imaginative tales of many of the most famous authors.



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Everybody enjoys a good story whatever their age. In fact, storytelling has been around for thousands of years and all around the world. It is the way we humans have retold events from our history and our culture, as well as how we have shared our myths, legends and spiritual beliefs.

Adventure stories



Once upon a time ...

History and tradition

The earliest stories were told before writing even began – they were spoken aloud. The storyteller, or narrator, may have used action and expressions to make the story more exciting. Or several people in a group may have acted out the different characters in the tale.

Folk tales