

English Quest – Year 1

‘Get out of my Swamp’



Speaking and Listening Challenges

- Retell different traditional and fairy stories in your own words using stick puppets or masks.
- Write questions you would like to ask the Troll or the Wolf, and then interview them when they visit the classroom.

Reading Challenges

- Read a range of traditional and fairy stories, including *The Gingerbread Man*, *The Three Billy Goats Gruff* and *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* – talk about the different good and bad characters in the stories.
- Compare and contrast different versions of the same tale for example, *The Three Little Pigs* by Ladybird, *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs* by Jon Scieska and *The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig* by Eugene Trivizas.
- Read *Fairytales News* by Colin and Jacqui Hawkins – identify the fairytales the reports come from.

Narrative Writing Challenges

- Write character descriptions of different villainous characters from the stories.
- Write descriptions of the settings in fairytales, for example the land at the top of the beanstalk.
- Write new adventure stories using characters from fairytales read, for example what Goldilocks did next?

Non-Narrative Writing Challenges

- Write information texts about theme-related topics including swamps, castles (real and imagined) and palaces.
- Write instructions for how to make and decorate a gingerbread man or how to grow a beanstalk.
- Write simple news reports about important events in fairytales, including what happened and who was there.

Poetry Writing Challenge

- Write a simple poem recounting a fairytale journey, based on the structure of *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* by Michael Rosen.
- Compile a class collection of nursery rhymes and traditional songs, old and new.