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The Random House Book Of Fairy Tales



Synopsis

A lush treasury of 19 fairy tales that generations of children have grown up on, lushly illustrated by Diane Goode.

Book Information

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Series: Random House Book of ...

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

From 35 year old mom of 6: I have read from many different fairy tale books over the years and this one is still my favorite. The reasons it is my favorite fairy tale book are: 1. It contains 19 of my favorite stories 2. Amy Ehrlich who wrote the stories, consulted several different versions, and retold them in their full splendor without dumbing the text down. 3. On every two page spread is a large detailed illustration by Diane Goode emanating much warmth and charm. Although the text is not dumbed down, this book still appeals to the 4-8 year old range because of the large picture to text ratio.

This is a great collection of stories, but when I was a little girl I was very scared of some of the drawings of the villains. So, the illustrations are excellent but a very young child might find them a little...intense. Nevertheless, I still liked the book and read it often.

I recently purchased the book "The Random House Book of Fairy Tales", thinking that it would be a

good representation of some of the most famous fairy tales in history. While the selection of tales was very impressive (and the reason why I felt comfortable buying this book) I was very disappointed by how the stories were edited. I felt that the endings came abruptly and that parts of the body of the stories were truncated and at times disconnected. I would recommend searching further if you want to find a more thorough representation of these selections.

I received this book as a first Christmas present, and it's been with me ever since (27 years). I remember my mom reading me the fairy tales from the book (my absolute favorite was the 12 dancing princesses), and then as I got a little older I started reading them to her. I read some of the other reviews, but I have to say when I was 4 I never thought the pictures were too scary. I loved that book, and thankfully I had the hardcover version because otherwise it would have fallen apart a long time ago (as it is my version is taped up and looking pretty worn). I always said when I had a kid I'd read them the same stories. These are classic children's tales, with illustrations that are classically drawn works of art. It's easy to tell who the villains are. It's not Barbie or Disney illustrations that won't really stand the test of time or seem way too "cartoonie". Use the online feature to see the different pages... they're beautifully illustrated. You can't go wrong with this book.

This is a great book for any parent. It encompasses 19 of the best known fairy tales that have been told to children for generations. Included in the book are tales such as Rapunzel, Hansel and Gretel, Jack and the Beanstalk, Little Red Riding Hood, Sleeping Beauty, Cinderella, and The Princess and the Pea. Each story is illustrated nicely giving your children the images they want to accompany the story. Overall I found this to be a well made book that can be passed down from one generation to the next.

We've been thumbing through fairy tale collections in bookstores and reading reviews online. We were looking for a collection of classic fairy tales that our homeschooled Kindergartener should be familiar with. We found just that in this book. The illustrations are beautiful, the stories are all well-known and the versions chosen are perfect. We read one fairy tale on Monday, review and do an activity on Wednesday and watch the story on Fairy Tale Theatre DVDs on Friday. He loves this routine and looks forward to a new story each week. Highly recommend this specific collection for your child's library!

The Random House book of Fairy Tales is a wonderful find for any parent. Compiled in it are

nineteen well-known tales which have delighted the imaginations of generations of children; Sleeping Beauty, Rapunzel, Jack and the Beanstalk, Little Red Riding Hood, Cinderella, Hansel and Gretel, and The Princess and the Pea are all among the enchanting stories in this collection. Each story is brought to life with several illustrations, some black and white and others in color. Though the writing and illustrating seem a little amateur, they are well-suited for children, and should inspire many happy hours of reading.

This is a beautiful book that I have very fond memories of. It is exactly as I remembered. Some of the drawings were a bit scary for me when I was a child, but that actually added to my interest in the stories. My son LOVES it. He asks for a fairy tale each night. So very glad I could find it. It came in record time, too.

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