



## Fairy tales in a nursery setting

Fairy tales help to build children's emotional intelligence as they explore the challenges and difficulties of characters and how these can be overcome.

Fairy tales were originally focused around helping to 'teach children a lesson' and to guide them on 'how to behave'.

Many would not be seen as acceptable these days! And often have magical storylines which feature good versus evil.

They are fantastic at engaging children's interest in stories and stimulating their imagination.



Here are some ideas to explore fairy tales in your setting:

- Why not create a fairy tale themed suitcase/story box to engage their storytelling skills?
- Or how about a treasure basket? These can be themed on anything from Christmas to fairy tales, dinosaurs and everything in between and are great for sensory exploration
- You could even make story props themed on the children's favourite fairy tales
- Don't forget your role-play areas too a great place to stimulate the imagination.