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Creatures from Fairy-Tale and Myth 2019-02-13

creatures from fairy tale and myth catalogs the most iconic creatures from european fairy tales and mythology with original stories researched lore and evocative artwork

Dwarfs 2021-08-01

this book introduces readers to tales of dwarfs from ancient myths to modern stories the book also includes a table of contents one infographic informative sidebars a story spotlight special feature quiz questions a glossary additional resources and an index this focus readers title is at the beacon level aligned to reading levels of grades 2 3 and interest levels of grades 3 5

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Giants 2021-08-01

this intriguing encyclopedia provides a comprehensive look at animals in folklore addressing the most common folklore animals the primary motifs and themes found in their stories and the historical and cross cultural locations ascribed to such tales a to z entries discuss the meanings of animal folklore and the animals featured in the stories while connecting the dots between the many cultures that have told these stories through the ages because of the important role folklore plays in the socialization of children and the conveying of cultural values animal tales are also investigated for their role in the continuity of cultural values and beliefs the volume includes thematic essays topical entries and tale excerpts each entry also states the method by which it is classified e g aarne thompson uthers perry etc

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to enable readers to easily find other tales of the same type most entries feature a list of further reading for those who desire more information and a glossary at the end of the book covers the classification of folklore overall as an added bonus the volume discusses many of the most important folklore collections in the world

Animal Folklore 2022-02-22

meet your favourite monsters fairies heroes and tricksters from all around the world enter the enchanting world of mythical creatures and explore the history behind them in this beautifully illustrated greek mythology book for children aged 5 9 you ll meet an incredible cast of mind boggling fictional animals from all around the world say hello to bigfoot in the forests of north america and learn about the native american traditions that inspired its story voyage to japan to meet kitsune supernatural nine tailed foxes that can turn into humans then jump onboard an ancient storm battered ship to learn why mermaids were the last thing a sailor wanted to see learn about the societies that spawned these legendary creatures from ancient greece to the indigenous tribes of australia and find out what the beasts tell us about the people who created them with magic and mystery in every page your child can discover facts behind the myths insights into cultures from around the world and their creation stories stunning full colour illustrations by pham quang phuc mythical beasts and magical creatures tells you everything you need to know about supernatural animals great and small perfect for fans of harry potter and other fantasy tales this mythology book for children is the only kids guide to magical creatures that explores the history behind the mythology in both an engaging and educational way a must have volume for children aged 5 9 with an interest in fantasy tale mythical beasts and magical creatures is filled with supernatural stories that brings the history of mythology and magical creatures to life and explores the societies that birthed these legendary creatures found in narratives from ancient greek mythology australian and native american folktales from narwhal tusks inspiring the legend of unicorns to dinosaur bones creating rumours of dragons there is an interesting story behind every magical beast this beautifully illustrated fantasy book for kids is wonderful for children who like to delve into enchanting stories and magical creatures

The Book of Mythical Beasts and Magical Creatures 2020-10-13

the griffin the sunbird manticores unicorns all manner of glorious creatures never captured in zoos museums or photographs are packed vividly into this collection of stories neil gaiman has included some of his own childhood favourites alongside stories classic and modern to spark the imagination of readers young and old all contributors have given their work free to benefit dave eggers literacy charity 826dc also includes a new neil gaiman story

Unnatural Creatures 2013-06-13

these early works by various authors were written between the middle ages and the early 20th century and we are now republishing them with a brand new introduction as part of our cryptofiction classics series the wolf in the moonlight contains a collection of short stories about the charismatic creature the wolf and includes the white wolf of the hartz mountains by frederick marryat 1839 the wolf by guy de maupassant 1882 olalla by by robert louis stevenson 1885 and many more homo sapiens and canis lupus have a long and chequered history together amongst early agricultural societies the wolf was widely feared for its tendency to devastate supplies of livestock this fear was passed down through the generations codified in countless legends and folktales so that by the early middle ages as academic and wolf expert beryl rowland puts it the wolf was established as the universal baleful symbol the cryptofiction classics series contains a collection of wonderful stories from some of the greatest authors in the genre including ambrose bierce arthur conan doyle robert louis stevenson and jack london from its roots in cryptozoology this genre features bizarre fantastical and often terrifying tales of mythical and legendary creatures whether it be giant spiders werewolves lake monsters or dinosaurs the cryptofiction classics series offers a fantastic introduction to the world of weird creatures in fiction

The Wolf in the Moonlight - A Fine Selection of Classic Tales of Wolves and Were-Wolves (Cryptofiction Classics - Weird Tales of

Strange Creatures) 2015-02-16

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Unnatural Creatures 2013-01-01

in these collection you will find stories that range from the mythic to contemporary fantasy to science fiction you will find a troll gryphons a beloved dog the land of the dead an owl a minotaur and a very alien cat earth and air is the third and final book in a trilogy of shared collections connected by the four classical elements it follows previous volumes water tales of elemental spirits and fire tales of elemental spirits written by both peter dickinson and robin mckinley ridiki is steff s beloved dog named after eurydice whom the poet orpheus tried to bring back from the dead when like her namesake ridiki is bitten by a snake and dies steff decides that he too should journey to the underworld to ask the king of the land of the dead for his dog back mari is the seventh child of a family in which troll blood still runs when her husband goes missing in a scottish loch she must draw upon the power of her blood to rescue him sophie a young girl fashions a witch s broomstick out of an ash sapling and gets more than she bargained for an escaped slave varro must kill a gryphon in order to survive a boy named yanni allies himself with an owl and a goddess in order to fight an ancient evil a group of mind bonded space travelers must face an unknown threat and solve the murder of a companion before time runs out all of these stories are about in one way or another the contrary and magical pull of two elements earth and air each story showcases the manifold talents of a master storyteller and craftsman who has twice won the carnegie medal and the whitbread award as well as the guardian children s fiction prize a junior library guild selection these unusual memorable tales from a much admired writer should appeal both to teens and dickinson s adult fans publishers weekly strange sometimes beautiful tales kirkus reviews praise for water tales of elemental spirits world fantasy award finalist there is plenty here to excite enthral and move even the pickiest readers school library journal a collection of enchanting tales publishers weekly praise for fire tales of elemental spirits this collection of beautifully crafted

tales will find a warm welcome school library journal dickinson s offerings are notable for their sophisticated magical thinking and subtlety of expression the horn book dickinson s stories are told with a storyteller s cadence booklist this collection offers something for every fantasy fan library media connection praise for peter dickinson s children s books one of the real masters of children s literature philip pullman peter dickinson is a national treasure the guardian magnificent peter dickinson is the past master story teller of our day the times literary supplement peter dickinson is the author of over fifty books including eva emma tupper s dairy and the michael l printz honor book the ropemaker he has twice received the crime writers association s gold dagger as well as the guardian award and whitbread prize he lives in england and is married to the novelist robin mckinley

Earth and Air 2012-10-16

these early works by various authors were originally published in the late 19th century and early 20th century and we are now republishing them with a brand new introduction as part of our cryptofiction classics series cryptofiction volume ii contains a collection of short stories that include the messenger by robert w chambers the brazilian cat by arthur conan doyle a relic of the pliocene by jack london and many other classic tales of strange creatures the genre of cryptofiction has grown up in the shadow of its older brothers science fiction and fantasy and specialises in the concept of mysterious creatures such as sea monsters wolf men and lost pre historic creatures cryptofiction takes its name from another non literary practice cryptozoology this is generally regarded as a pseudoscience by mainstream scientists relying as it does upon anecdotal often unverifiable evidence however it still boasts many enthusiasts and continues to exert considerable artistic allure cryptofiction is here to stay and the stories in this collection map the development of a genre which is as strange as it is fascinating the cryptofiction classics series contains a collection of wonderful stories from some of the greatest authors in the genre including ambrose bierce arthur conan doyle robert louis stevenson and jack london from its roots in cryptozoology this genre features bizarre fantastical and often terrifying tales of mythical and legendary creatures whether it be giant spiders werewolves lake monsters or dinosaurs the cryptofiction classics series offers a fantastic introduction to the world of weird creatures in fiction

Cryptofiction - A Collection of Fantastical Short Stories of Sea Monsters, Dangerous Insects, and Other Mysterious Creatures

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bring your 5e game to new lands and explore the wonders of creatures from fairy tale and myth rediscover monsters you thought you knew brought forth from their fairy tale origins learn about strange new monsters drawn from scandinavian baltic slavic and celtic myth this is more than just a series of stat blocks every creature is presented with beautiful art and a detailed breakdown including an innovative easy prep look at 5e rules a detailed backstory on the creature from the researchers that brought you fate of the norms ragnarok the most viking of roleplaying games and supplementary text on the creature bursting with enough ideas to light a fire under any game master each creature is designed not as an encounter but as a whole session or with a whole campaign of possibilities creatures from fairy tale and myth 5e brings you a deep dive into historical myth and high fantasy to ignite your fascination and set your 5e game ablaze your game table may never be the same again this book includes brand new creatures compatible with the 5e game system brand new class for players a comprehensive crafting system for all manner of magical and exotic items expansions for the 5e game system rules social combat dynamic power dice etc

Creatures from Fairy-Tale and Myth (5e): 5e Lore Book 2019-11-25

this crowd pleasing series highlights six magical creatures that appear in fairy tales from around the world fun yet informative text explains each creature s signature traits where the legends about it began and how those legends have changed over time each book includes a table of contents one infographic fun facts a story spotlight special feature quiz questions a glossary additional resources and an index this focus readers series is at the beacon level aligned to reading levels of grades 2 3 and interest levels of grades 3 5

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Fairy Tale Creatures (Set of 6) 2021-08

varla ventura fan favorite on huffington post s weird news frequent guest on coast to coast and bestselling author of the book of the bizarre and beyond bizarre introduces a new weiser books collection of forgotten crypto classics magical creatures is a hair raising herd of affordable digital editions curated with varla s affectionate and unerring eye for the fantastic perhaps one of the most notorious creatures from the fairy realm is the ever changing trickster fairy the pooka a shapeshifter the pooka can take many forms including invisibility although it most often appears as a terrible horse with eyes of fire and flaming breath it can also appear as a goat goblin dog or even a rabbit not inherently evil their main task is taunting they ll take you on a joyride of terrifying proportions shake you out of your current frame of mind knock you out of your stupor with a swift kick taming the pooka includes tales of this monster s mayhem from such notables as w b yeats and t crofton croker as well as douglas hyde no one is beyond the cunning of the pooka

Taming the Pooka, Celtic Tales of the Trickster Fairy 2001-12-01

james herriot s award winning stories for young readers bring the farmyard world of herriot s yorkshire to vibrant life children have always found a delightful friend in james herriot his award winning stories for young readers bring the farmyard world of herriot s yorkshire to vibrant life featuring a host of adorable animals and colorful townsfolk each of the stories is narrated by the country vet himself with all of the warmth caring and good humor that have made james herriot beloved the world over here in james herriot s treasury for children we find all of his books for children collected in one beautiful volume from the springtime frolic of oscar cat about town to the yuletide warmth of the christmas day kitten these stories radiantly illustrated by peter barrett and ruth brown are perennial favorites and this new complete edition will make a wonderful gift for all readers great and small taken together these stories comprise a wondrous herriot menagerie a family treasure that will be passed with joy and affection from generation to generation

James Herriot's Treasury for Children 2014-10-28

the most fun rendition of the deities and demons found in our epics did you know that a celestial elephant once hid in the ocean after causing mischief what happened when rama and lakshmana encountered a one eyed headless demon why did ilvala turn his brother vatapi into a goat and serve him to passers by find answers to these and meet many strange and wonderful creatures in this hand picked collection of legends delve into the exploits of gods who took on magical avatars birds and animals with superpowers and demons and demonesses who were once good souls bestselling children's author bulbul sharma's deft prose accompanied by bewitching illustrations will transport you to the fantastical realms inhabited by the hindu pantheon this book is sure to leave you spellbound

Fantastic Creatures In Mythology 2021-09-20

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Cryptofiction - A Collection of Fantastical Short Stories of Sea Monsters, Were-Wolves, and Other Mysterious Creatures 2015-02-16

this early work by sir hugh clifford was originally published in 1916 and we are now republishing it with a brand new introductory biography as part of our cryptofiction classics series the were tiger is a short story of a mysterious feline hugh charles clifford was born in roehampton london england on 5th march 1866 clinging to an ideal of benevolent imperialism untainted by commerce while sympathizing deeply with the natives desire for cultural commerce clifford produced a number of collections including bush whacking and other sketches 1901 a free lance of to day 1903 sally a study and other tales of the outskirts 1904 saleh a sequel 1908 and malayan monochromes 1913 all of which deal with the interplay between british and malay life the cryptofiction classics series contains a collection of wonderful stories from some of the greatest authors in the genre including ambrose bierce arthur conan doyle robert louis stevenson and jack london from its roots in cryptozoology this genre features bizarre fantastical and often terrifying tales of mythical and legendary creatures whether it be giant spiders werewolves lake monsters or dinosaurs the cryptofiction classics series offers a fantastic introduction to the world of weird creatures in fiction

The Were-Tiger (Cryptofiction Classics - Weird Tales of Strange Creatures) 2015-02-17

in edo period japan readers relished works known as kibyōshi that combined text and illustration on the same page much like comic books and manga monsters often took center stage in these stories this book presents a selection of edo monster comics in english for the first time introducing readers to a captivating humorous and eye opening genre of popular fiction the river imp and the stinky jewel and other tales collects five kibyōshi published between 1778 and 1807 chosen for both entertainment value and stylistic variety their authors reinvent traditional japanese monsters as contemporary characters who mirror the foibles of the human world they tell stories such as the lover of the long necked rokuro kubi makes a ridiculous attempt to rescue her from her human captor a mischievous river creature steals a jewel lodged deep inside a boy s buttocks setting off a curious chain of events involving a historical samurai and a real life fart man a demon girl from hell is sent to the world of the living in order to

destroy a sacred buddhist statue but things don't go quite as she plans exploring the grotesque comic bumbling salacious and charming world of these creatures the stories also provide a glimpse into the society and culture of edo period japan through the monsters distorted lens the kibyōshi are reproduced in their entirety conveying the feel of the original comics and allowing readers to experience the full visual impact of the monsters

The River Imp and the Stinky Jewel and Other Tales 2023-06-20

mythical creatures that come from the land sea air and beyond your wildest imagination p 4 of cover

The Mythical Creatures Bible 2009-02

this early work by charles john cutcliffe hyne was originally published in 1904 and we are now republishing it as part of our cryptofiction classics series the lizard is a short story in about a cave hunter who finds more than he bargained for the cryptofiction classics series contains a collection of wonderful stories from some of the greatest authors in the genre including ambrose bierce arthur conan doyle robert louis stevenson and jack london from its roots in cryptozoology this genre features bizarre fantastical and often terrifying tales of mythical and legendary creatures whether it be giant spiders werewolves lake monsters or dinosaurs the cryptofiction classics series offers a fantastic introduction to the world of weird creatures in fiction

The Lizard (Cryptofiction Classics - Weird Tales of Strange Creatures) 2015-02-16

in a series of interwoven fictionalized stories deborah noyes gives voice to the marginalized women in p t barnum's family and the talented entertainers he built his entertainment empire on much has been written about p t barnum legendary showman entrepreneur marketing genius and one of the most famous nineteenth century personalities for those who lived in barnum's shadow however life was complex p t barnum's two families his family at home including his two wives and his daughters and his family at work including little people a giantess an opera singer and many sideshow entertainers

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from his cruelty and exploitation yet at the same time some of his performers such as general tom thumb charles stratton became wealthy celebrities who were admired and feted by presidents and royalty in this collection of interlinked stories illustrated with archival photographs deborah noyes digs deep into what is known about the people in barnum s orbit and imagines their personal lives putting front and center the complicated joy and pain of what it meant to be one of barnum s creatures

We Are All His Creatures: Tales of P. T. Barnum, the Greatest Showman **2020-03-10**

from the west african fable of anansi the spider to tanuki the sweet but troublesome racoon dog of japanese folklore this encyclopedia of mythical creatures covers legends tales and myths from around the world

Mythopedia 2020-09-14

on the 200th anniversary of the first edition of mary shelley s frankenstein transmedia creatures presents studies of frankenstein by international scholars from converging disciplines such as humanities musicology film studies television studies english and digital humanities these innovative contributions investigate the afterlives of a novel taught in a disparate array of courses frankenstein disturbs and transcends boundaries be they political ethical theological aesthetic and not least of media ensuring its vibrant presence in contemporary popular culture transmedia creatures highlights how cultural content is redistributed through multiple media forms and modes of production including user generated ones from below that often appear synchronously and dismantle and renew established readings of the text while at the same time incorporating and revitalizing aspects that have always been central to it the authors engage with concepts value systems and aesthetic moral categories among them the family horror monstrosity diversity education risk technology the body from a variety of contemporary approaches and highly original perspectives which yields new connections ultimately frankenstein as evidenced by this collection is paradoxically enriched by the heteroglossia of preconceptions misreadings and overreadings that attend it and that reveal the complex interweaving of perceptions and responses it generates published by bucknell university press distributed worldwide by arctura

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Transmedia Creatures 2018-10-19

this book introduces readers to tales of gnomes from ancient myths to modern stories the book also includes a table of contents one infographic informative sidebars a story spotlight special feature quiz questions a glossary additional resources and an index this focus readers title is at the beacon level aligned to reading levels of grades 2 3 and interest levels of grades 3 5

Gnomes 2021-08

the 12th volume in our mythic monsters series mythic monsters fairy tale creatures brings you a dozen and one celebrated storybook creatures a few friendly more of them malevolent and every one dangerous this product certainly celebrates the fey but it incorporates a selection of monsters of many types inspired by fairy tales often with a decidedly celtic flair from blarney filled leprechauns and luminous pixies to terrible banshees keening their anguish and whether bringing succor like a unicorn or murderous spite like a redcap these creatures bring the full flavor of the realms of faerie to your campaign we have hungry green hags ready to gobble their victims living or dead alongside flitting faerie dragons that just want to have fun bogeymen that use terror as a weapon and will o wisps that feed upon it like sweet nectar we also delved into the madcap tales of lewis carroll to bring you not only mythic versions of the frumious bandersnatch jubjub bird and jabberwock but also a brand new thirteenth monster for this collection the strange and elusive boojum snark in addition to these fabulous fairy tale creatures this product includes a selection of non mythic and mythic spells including call woodland beings faerie form and fey crossroads as well as fey inspired mythic versions of existing spells the 13 monsters contained herein ranging in cr from 3 to 28 are updated for the mythic rules and when we say updated we mean complete stat blocks yes but more than that every one has its own unique and exciting new mythic abilities from a mythic green hag s grisly gobble and insatiable stalker to the death coach and immortal anguish of a mythic banshee the mythic monsters series from legendary games brings you dynamic and exciting mechanics alongside evocative and cinematic new abilities that really help creatures live up to their flavor text whether they are creatures of real world myth and legend or creatures born out of the rpg tradition itself these creatures can work just as well in a non

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mythic campaign as they do in one that incorporates the full mythic rules as you can throw them at your jaded players who think they've seen it all or know the standard monster stats as well as you do that look of surprise and what was that will warm any gm's heart

Fairy Tale Creatures 2014-06-04

this guide to identifying lions unicorns and other creatures real and fanciful in chinese and japanese artwork explains how these and other animal depictions were introduced to the east and how their portrayals changed over time tracing the lion's early use in mesopotamian art and its cultural symbolism in greece and rome this study includes stylized foxes tigers badgers and cats as well as fanciful creatures like dragons humanoid birds water imps demons and other chimerical beasts stories and descriptions are provided along with numerous photographs and drawings making this work an invaluable resource for art collectors and anyone interested in east asian culture and history

Creatures Real and Imaginary in Chinese and Japanese Art 2016-05-01

enter the enchanting world of mythical creatures and explore the history behind them in this beautifully illustrated compendium for kids meet an incredible cast of fictional animals from all around the world say hello to thunderbird flying over north america and learn about the native american traditions that inspired its story voyage to japan to meet kitsune supernatural nine tailed foxes that can turn into humans and jump on board an ancient storm battered ship to learn why mermaids were the last thing a sailor wanted to see from narwhal tusks inspiring the legend of unicorns to dinosaur bones creating rumours of dragons there is an interesting story behind every magical beast learn about the societies that spawned these legendary creatures from ancient greece to the indigenous tribes of australia this is the only kids guide to magical creatures that tells you the history behind the mythology

The Book of Mythical Beasts and Magical Creatures 2020-10-01

this comprehensive atlas provides information on supernatural beings from around the world presented in alphabetical order and including such creatures as changelings the hydra and werewolves sidebars and boxes highlight interesting facts glossary an index and resources for further study conclude this

meticulously illustrated book

Legendary Creatures and Monsters 2014-01-01

mythological beasts and creatures come in every shape and size sometimes good sometimes evil but often indifferent to the needs of humankind a beautiful new collection of tales from many different traditions norse to celtic greek to indian japanese to egyptian with their weird combination of animal limbs or distorted visions of human perception beasts and creatures can be found in all myths and legends of the world often used to demonstrate moral or fabulistic stories and explain extreme natural phenomena an ideal companion to gods monsters myths tales this new collection includes more of the most famous and recognizable beasts with some insight too into the rare and the little known the simurgh the gigantic mythical bird of persian mythology and literature mingles with the monstrous great head of iroquois folklore the kraken of originally scandinavian legend can be found alongside north america s bigfoot or sasquatch if you prefer of course from the greek and celtic mythologies come the phoenix scylla and charybdis the unicorn satyrs and fauns centaurs and minotaurs the basilisk and the griffin and let s not forget the goblins of the norse the ogreish monsters of japanese mythology the oni and the nymphs fairies and sprites that appear in many different mythological traditions this truly is a wonderful collection of tales the flame tree gothic fantasy classic stories and epic tales collections bring together the entire range of myth folklore and modern short fiction highlighting the roots of suspense supernatural science fiction and mystery stories the books in flame tree collections series are beautifully presented perfect as a gift and offer a lifetime of reading pleasure

Beasts & Creatures Myths & Tales 2022-06-28

analyzes the portrayal of german fairy tale figures in contemporary north american media adaptations

Craving Supernatural Creatures 2019-06-03

this early work by h g wells was originally published in 1896 and we are now republishing it with a brand new introductory biography as part of our cryptofiction classics series in the abyss is a short story about deep sea exploring and the strange creatures that inhabit the unknown depths herbert george

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wells was born in bromley england in 1866 he apprenticed as a draper before becoming a pupil teacher at midhurst grammar school in west sussex some years later wells won a scholarship to the school of science in london where he developed a strong interest in biology and evolution founding and editing the science schools journal however he left before graduating to return to teaching and began to focus increasingly on writing it was in 1895 that wells seriously established himself as a writer with the publication of the now iconic novel the time machine wells followed the time machine with the equally well received war of the worlds 1898 which proved highly popular in the usa the cryptofiction classics series contains a collection of wonderful stories from some of the greatest authors in the genre including ambrose bierce arthur conan doyle robert louis stevenson and jack london from its roots in cryptozoology this genre features bizarre fantastical and often terrifying tales of mythical and legendary creatures whether it be giant spiders werewolves lake monsters or dinosaurs the cryptofiction classics series offers a fantastic introduction to the world of weird creatures in fiction

In the Abyss (Cryptofiction Classics - Weird Tales of Strange Creatures) 2013-07-26

county carlow where stood dinn righ the seat of the ancient kings of leinster is steeped in history myth and legend which is celebrated in this selection of traditional tales from across the county collected and retold by local storytellers aideen mcbride and jack sheehan this selection will take you on an oral tour across the county and introduce you to such carlow characters as peter nail the weight thrower from ratheaden beauchamp bagenal the handsomest man in ireland and st finnian the teacher of the saints you will discover how the barrow river got its name who threw the standing stone of clonee the dangers of digging for gold in the raths and how teresa malone became the heroine of kilcumney and on the way you will encounter fairies witches and giants as well as bouncing puddings and giant potatoes

Carlow Folk Tales 2014-03-03

amazing true tales of animal spies including bat bombers pigeon patriots daring dolphins acoustic cats and mosquito mimicking drones

Sneaky Creatures 2015-10-18

walter rothschild was born into a family of bankers and was nearly the richest boy in the world he was also so shy he barely spoke he had no friends but he loved every creature that crawled slithered or flew at the age of seven walter saw his first circus parade he excitedly declared to his parents i m going to collect animals from all over the world and build a museum soon walter had his first exotic creatures kangaroos wallabies and kiwis from there his collection grew until it threatened to take over the rothschild estate lord rothschild wanted his son to lead the family business eventually but walter wouldn t give up his dream strange creatures is the story of how a painfully shy boy followed his passion and became a brilliant scientist forever changing our understanding of the world s diversity of creatures

Strange Creatures 2011-02-01

this volume explores the cultural meaning of several supernatural creatures in arabia tracing the historical development of these creatures and their recent representations in the western world utilizing a variety of old and new arabic english and french sources the text explores creatures including the ghoul and its derivations the rukh bird and the dragon unlike other texts which primarily focus on genies or jinns this volume explores other supernatural and mythical creatures that have been popular in the middle east and arabia for centuries but are less known to western audiences dr al rawi argues that many of these creatures have pre islamic roots and that they served an important function in connecting the past with the present offering a popular vehicle to articulate and imagine the supernatural dimension of existence which helps in consolidating religious views

Supernatural Creatures in Arabic Literary Tradition 2023-11-21

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joseph rudyard kipling 30 december 1865 18 january 1936 was an english short story writer poet and novelist chiefly remembered for his tales and poems of british soldiers in india and his tales for children he received the nobel prize for literature in 1907 he was born in bombay in the bombay presidency of british india and was taken by his family to england when he was five years old kipling is best known for his works of fiction including the jungle book a collection of stories which includes rikki tikki tavi just so stories 1902 1894 kim 1901 a tale of adventure many short stories including the man who would be king 1888 and his poems including mandalay 1890 gunga din 1890 the white man s burden 1899 and if 1910 he is regarded as a major innovator in the art of the short story his children s books are enduring classics of children s literature and his best works are said to exhibit a versatile and luminous narrative gift wikipedia

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