

## RESOURCES FOR STORYTELLING

### Books About Storytelling

Tell Me Another - Bob Barton: Pembroke Publishers Ltd

The Singer of Tales - Albert B Lord: Illinois UP

Keepers of the Earth – Caduto and Brichac: Fulcrum, ISBN 1-55591-027-0. Native American stories with associated activities, look out also for keepers of the animals and keepers of the plants

Impro for storytellers – Keith Johnson: Faber and Faber, ISBN 0-571-19099-5

Creative Storytelling – Jack Zipes: Routledge, ISBN 0-415-91272-5

Earth Tales: storytelling in times of change – Alida Gersie, a classic from a leader in the use of stories: Greenprint (out of print). Also worth reading is Alida and Nancy King's book 'Story making in Education and Therapy' for looking at techniques for storymaking, ISBN 1-85302-520-8

Spinning Tales, Weaving Hope – Ed Brody, stories of peace justice and environment: New Society Publishers

Telling Tales: Storytelling as Emotional Literacy - Steve Killick, Taffy Thomas, educational printing services ltd, ISBN 10:1-905637-28-4 – very useful for looking at stories and emotional intelligence – good intro to EI.

The Uses of Enchantment – Bruno Bettelheim – ISBN 1085381. This book explores how Bettelheim worked with fairy tales and emotional literacy (he worked with severely traumatised children) – excellent exponent of the power of fairy/wander tales

### Collections of Stories

There are increasing numbers of collections of stories. Gathering from a range is a personal thing..here are a few I have found particularly useful. Second hand bookshops are great and amazon and the web can also be useful. A good website to start with is [www.spiritoftrees.org](http://www.spiritoftrees.org)

Not Even Good is Ripe Enough (African tales) - Ulli Beir

Collection of Native American Indian Stories (with Activities) - Joseph Bruchac

Popular Tales of the West Highlands - John Campbell: Wildwood House

The Dead Moon and other tales; The Faber Book of Northern Folk Tales; British Folk Tales- Kevin Crossley-Holland 'the' prolific teller of old tales! : Faber

The Singing Sack (28 song stories from around the world) - Helen East

American Indian Myths and Legends - Richard Erdoes: Pantheon Books

Book of British Fairy Tales; A Bag of Moonshine - Alan Garner: Collins

Virago Collection of Fairy Tales – Volumes 1 and 2 – Ed by Angela Carter, brilliant collection from around the world, the true old fairy tales!

Grimms Complete Fairy Tales - Ed Kaye Webb: Puffin

The Man Who Planted Trees - Jean Giono: Chelsea Green

Celtic Fairy Tales ) Joseph Jacobs: Bodley Head  
English Fairy Tales )

Fairy Tales - Terry Jones: Puffin Books

Richard Kennedy: Collected Stories - Richard Kennedy: Harper and Row

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Just So Stories - Rudyard Kipling: Grosset and Dunlop

Kings, Gods and Spirits from African Mythology - Jan Knappet: Peter Lowe

Frog and Toad Together - Arnold Lobel: Harper and Row

Coyote the Trickster ) Gail Robinson and Douglas Hill: Piccolo

Raven the Trickster )

The People who Hugged Trees - adapted by Deborah Lee Rose: Roberts Rineheart

The Butter Battle Book ) Dr Seuss: Random House

The Lorax )

A Thorn in the Kings Foot; Fireside Tales; Scottish Traveller Tales - Duncan Williamson: Canongate

Worldwise, 6 Stories about People and Nature - W.W.F

How the Whale Became and Other Stories – Ted Hughes: Faber and Faber ISBN 0-571-20200-4

"Earth Care: World Folktales to Talk About" - Margaret Read Macdonald

Spirit of the Forest: Tree Tales from Around the World : Eric maddern, Helen East and Alan Marks ISBN: 0-7112-1879-X

## **Books with readings and thoughts about the Environment and Myths**

The Power of Myth - Joseph Campbell: Double Day

The Heroe with a Thousand Faces - Joseph Campbell: Paladin

Listening to Nature - Joseph Cornell: Dawn Publications

The White Goddess (A study in Celtic Myths) - Robert Graves: Faber

The Earth Speaks (Recommend Jumping Mouse) ) Steve van Matre: Institute for Earth Education

Flora Brittanica – Richard Mabey useful for local folklore and stories around british plants: Sinclair Stevenson ISBN 1-85619-377-2

The Spell of the Sensuous – perception and language in a more than human world – David Abram ISBN 0-679-43819-X

## **Books About Students Responding to Stories**

Teaching as Storytelling - Kieran Egan: Althouse Press

Writing: Teachers and Children at Work - Donald Graves

Storytelling at Historic Sites: A selection of Myths, Legends and Folktales for Britain (includes audio-cassette pack) - Eric Maddern: English Heritage

Sometimes A Shining Moment: The Foxfire Experience - Eliot Wigginton: Doubleday

The Green Umbrella - W.W.F.: A&C Black

The Moon in the Well – Erica helm Meade ISBN 0-8126-9940-6

## **Further Information About Storytelling**

There are Local Storytelling Circles throughout the U.K. generally called Crick Crack Clubs the national contact is:

Society for Storytelling, PO Box 2344, Reading RG6 7FG [www.sfs.org.uk](http://www.sfs.org.uk)

A good source for purchasing books is letterboxlibrary – [www.letterboxlibrary.com](http://www.letterboxlibrary.com)

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