

# My Book of Tall Tales

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In your book of tall tales collect information and details about the tales that you have read and listened to in this project.

Your pages should

- show that you have understood the stories
- help you remember the important facts and details
- help you remember the new words, so you can retell the stories yourself.

Use any formats you think are useful for these purposes. Be creative and design your pages nicely.



The second part of your book is reserved for your own tall tales. You will be asked to write two tales for homework and one tale in the test. After revising and correcting them carefully, glue in your finished tales and illustrate them nicely.

Make sure your book of tall tales shows your full potential!

Your TTB will be part of your portfolio at the end of the year.



## Oral Work:

In this project we are going to practice storytelling. Use the notes/drawings/facts... in your "Book of Tall Tales" and tell your stories to your classmates, your teacher and co-teacher. Go over your notes and plan what you are going to say and how you are going to say it. Then find an audience and tell your story.



For each story that you have shared, ask your audience to sign your "Story Teller's Record" below.

Collect at least three signatures, one must be from a teacher or co-teacher.

Date	Title of story:	I told this story to:



Don't forget that we speak **ENGLISH ONLY** in this class!!

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Pecos Bill was born just like all of THE BIRTH OF

us. But he was different. He could Pecos Bill

talk fluently before he was one year

old. He could ride a horse just when he learned to sit. That

all sounds a bit strange but it's true. Pecos Bill had

seventeen brothers and sisters who were very proud of their

little brother and they all loved each other. One day, the

family and other friends wanted to cross the Pecos river by

getting over it with a wagon. At this time, little Bill was

taking a nap. But suddenly, Pecos Bill fell out of the

wagon. He slid in the Pecos river and woke up on a piece

of land again. There he was resting, when a Coyote/Mama

came and adopted him. She loved Bill so much that she

raised him as her own son. Bill lived and grew up with coyotes

so he thought himself to be one too. He ate the same food, did

the same things and howled at the moon. One beautiful

summer day, his oldest brother was riding down to the Pecos

river. He couldn't believe his eyes when he suddenly saw his

lost brother. He was Pecos Bill. The happiness was all over

his face and he wanted to take him home to the family but

Pecos really didn't believe that he was a human called Pecos

Bill. He was sure he was a coyote and no one could convince

him. But the more his brother told him, the more Bill believed

in it and then he left the coyotes to go back to his family.

He was a sad good bye but therefore a very nice welcome to

the family again. All his brothers and sisters were so happy

and the parents of course too. So, they all were in the west

and there, Bill's brother wanted to show him, how to be a real

cowboy. Pecos Bill learned really fast and his brother was

very very proud of him. He said that Pecos Bill would be

the greatest cowboy ever.

Dear Mrs. Pölzleitner ☺

This was my

TTB and I hope

you liked it

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Nice wishes

CaHi



Yes - it's

amazing ☺

Read the detailed

comment on the card!

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## Mul the Gran

...That night an evil black dog came into the house. He bited all members of the family and destroyed whole house. He just did it an hour at 12 o'clock pm, he went back again. The family forgot all this and all the wounds disappeared but the son of the family, he didn't forget it. He was crying and crying but no one believed him. Every day at 11 o'clock pm, the dog came and did his fooling. The boy, he was all over. One day, the dog had bitten his leg off and he was having so many pangs. It was so sad. But every time in the early day, his wounds were gone. The son called Nick was complete. He went to see Mul the Gran and spoke with her. He noticed very late that this was a bad idea. He went to the witch and shouted at her 'You bad stupid witch! Don't you have other things to do then punish poor people? You are so dumb and you won't have any friends. Never! Everyone hates you!' He shouldn't have said that.

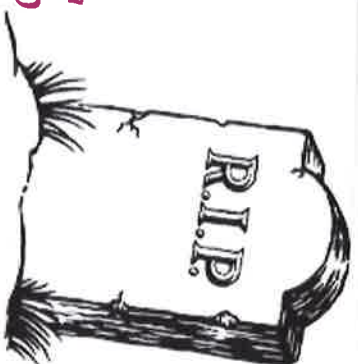


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It made Mul the Gran so angry that she took her magic stick and beamed him into a cellar where he was hanging on catenacs (Ketten) and everyday, the dog came and bit all his legs and arms away. The parents forgot about their son because Mul the Gran made a curse. And then, one evening, the parents were just dead and no one knows what has happened to them.

## Dear Grandma,

I'm so sad! I must tell you what has happened! It's such a crying shame! A few days ago I



saw this beautiful, pretty woman riding on a catfish. I immediately fell in love with her and it was love at first sight. She was called Slue-foot Sue. A beautiful name, don't you think? So, she had the same feelings as I had, and we got married the day after it. Sue was wearing a beautiful white dress with a springy hoop. Right after we were married, Sue wanted me to prove, how much I loved her by letting her riding my horse, Widowmaker. But only I can ride him. When Slue-foot Sue got up, she suddenly fell down again. Luckily, she was still wearing her springy hoop, so she bounced up again. But there she touched the clouds and when she then came down again, she bounced up again. Up and down and up and down.. This went on 3 days and 4 nights. Sue was crying all over and she was throwing kisses at me. I knew, she would starve to death soon so I decided to shoot her. This was very hard for me. I think she was my true love. And now I'm her murderer. Was there any better solution? I am so sad! Please granny, please give me some tips to get rid of my lovesick.

Best Wishes your PSCOS BOY

# PSCOS BOLL AND THE GOAWT TORNADO

(women telling each other news)

Hi Anna! How are you? Have you heard about this man called PSCOS BOLL. The man who was riding on a Tornado! Oh Hi Jane! I'm fine thanks. No, I haven't heard about this before!! What do you mean by 'riding on a Tornado'? I must tell you this story! Last week, I was buying some food for lunch, when I saw people, many many people running to the east. I bought the stuff I needed and joined the 'running group'. After a few minutes, I saw it. What, what did you see? There was a Tornado. Not a normal one as we all know. It was a giant one, as high up as I could see the sky. I couldn't believe my eyes. First of all, I panicked but then, on the Tornado there was a man. The man called 'PSCOS BOLL' (that's what the other people told me), riding on it, like it was a horse. And what did you do then Anna? What happened? Didn't he fell down? Then, I looked around because the Tornado moved so fast. The crazy thing was that PSCOS BOLL wasn't even afraid. He also didn't fall. He was just smiling at all of us. After a while, I had to go home to my family, but there are rumors that he rode all over Texas until he didn't want it anymore. Now, this is an amazing, unbelievable story but I believe you. I have also heard some strange stories about this PSCOS BOLL. Just an amazing man! Yes, that's true! Sorry I have to go now. See you Jane! Bye :)

# James the Strong one



Hello boys and girls!! Today I'm going to tell you a story about a man called James the Strong one. He was strong like bear, and could run as fast as a lion. Actually he was my father and his father named him so because James was so strong. When he was just lying in the belly of his pregnant mother, he was hitting against it because he wanted to go out. James always did the work, where you had to be strong and because he helped everybody, he got the Chef of our little ranch, here in West Virginia. One day, it was a quite sunny day, there were strange men coming down the little road. We all soon realized that they weren't just citizens. They were rubbers. Rubbers as strong as James the Strong one and as fat-headed as my uncle John. First of all, no one panicked out because our leader is James the strong one. But, oh no! He was in the forest with the lumberjacks to get some wood to make fire and we couldn't win the fight against those giant rubbers. O, Congist Mary, was very interested why they came here because we didn't have any gold or something like it. We just had our magic elixir, which we used to have a lot of energy. Yes. I was right. The rubbers looked all around and searched and searched like mad. Hah. I laughed, because the recipe was in a very very secret place, which was so safety that not even 50 sheriffs could find it. This secret place I'm telling you, was in a box which was 3 meters under the river Nile. We were all locked in a little room and didn't have a lot of space and then, my father came. He was angry. Angry like a puma that lost his children. Angrier then magpies that didn't get their gold and silver. He came in the room and took all the rubbers and threw them about 50 kilometers away. Then he rescued us and we all were in peace and luck. This was an adventure. I'm tellin' ya. Don't let your father go chopping trees

Paul Bunyan and the fight against the 50 bears.

Good night  
night daddy,  
please tell

story of

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tonight.

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my son. Good

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won't sleep

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called 'Paul

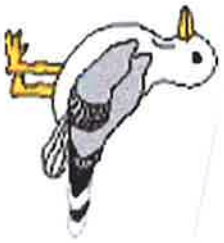
Bunyan and the fight against the 50 bears'. This story is really unbelievable. So.. One sunny day, when Paul was chopping down the trees, he suddenly heard something. It was kind of like a sound if there's someone standing on branches and they break. Hum.. Paul Bunyan didn't thought of any animals that could be around him but then, about 10 minutes after, there came about 50 bears in his direction. They formed a big circle so Paul Bunyan couldn't flee. He was a little scared but then, the bears came and hurt him with their claws. Paul Bunyan quickly took stones from the ground and shot the bears with them. They were hurt so much that Paul Bunyan could run away and let the bears live their life so they wouldn't die. This was a little shocking for those animals but no one knows what happened to them afterwards. Crazy st Good night my darling. Good night

Pecos Bill healing a bare field



I'm so happy. Since last week, the grass on my field has been growing and growing and the cows are enjoying it so much. That is all because of my best friend Pecos Bill. You know, I had big problems because on the field that I had for my cows, there wasn't any grass. It was as bare as a bald head and many cows were starving because of that. This was such a crying shame but then Pecos Bill came to help. When I just told him this sad story, he took dozens of cans full of water and poured them on the field. He did the same with a lot of dung and seeds and he just spread everything out. He worked as fast as a puma, he fell asleep right on the field. I was going in my bedroom and was cried because nothing helped. But the next day, I woke up and just heard my cows mooing. I thought that maybe another one of my cows was dying, but I was wrong. I got up and saw my cows eating and eating the fresh grass that was everywhere. I could see that Pecos Bill was lying just in the middle so I brought him breakfast and I wanted to give him my best cow but he didn't want it. He is just a proud man and does things just because he is so nice. I don't want to be gay but I love him 😊

## Pecos Bill and flying over the Amazonas river

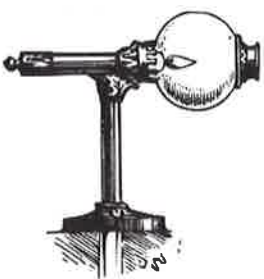


One day, Pecos Bill was just getting bored, so he had the idea to fly. Flying like birds. Feel free. But there must have been also a challenge for him so he decided to fly over the whole Amazonas river and back again. How he would manage that? No problem for Pecos Bill. He had a plan. A really good plan. It was like this: Pecos Bill would ride to the beginning of the river and jump on a sea gull until it would fall. Then he would just jump on and on and on until he reached the final end. This plan was quite sure to go right so Pecos Bill wasn't scared anyway. The day after, his long journey began. He jumped on a sea gull and jumped on and on and on as he had planned. Everything went right and he came back in two days. He was so proud like a peacock but hungrier like a bear could ever be. He had never forgotten this adventure.



## Paul Bunyan and the frozen flames

A farmer tells a story to his friend who was visiting him.



So, I must tell you a story. One winter, I think two years ago, something strange happened. We had our lanterns in our houses, to have light when it was dark outside. It was so cold that even an ice bear would freeze. Here in Upper Peninsula was the temperature - 68 degrees. Very cold and not normal. On the evening, we wanted to blow the flames out to make it dark during the night but it didn't work. We tried for hours and hours and it was such a shame. So, we, the lumberjacks and farmers asked Paul Bunyan to do it for us but not even he could. The flames were just frozen. But they were so bright and we couldn't sleep for weeks. One night, my neighbor John, had the idea to put the lanterns out in the streets. This was just so brilliant. But then in spring, the flames flared up again and set all of Northern Michigan fire. All of us were very shocked and I quickly ran to see up Paul Bunyan, that he could disturb the flames 'epping on them with his boots. That worked and we were happy again :)