Fairy Stories for Older and Younger Readers

Folktales

The Arthur Rackham Fairy Book (j 398 Rac)
The Weaving of a Dream: A Chinese Folktale Retold / Marilee Heyer (j 398.2 CHINA Hey)
Three sons set out on a journey to find a tapestry stolen by fairies.

Tam Lin / retold by Jane Yolen (j 398.2 SCOTLAND Yol)
A Scottish girl reclaims her home which the fairies have held for years.

A Child’s Book of Faeries / Tanya Robyn Batt (j 398.21 Bat)

Diane Goode’s Book of Giants & Little People / Diane Goode (j 398.21 Goo)
Elves and Fairies / John Hamilton (j 398.21 Ham)
The Secret Life of Fairies / Penelope Larkspur (j 398.21 Lar)
The Hidden Folk: Stories of Fairies, Dwarves, Selkies, and Other Secret Beings / Lise Lunge-Larsen (j 398.21 Lun)
The Little People: Stories of Fairies, Pixies, and Other Small Folk / Neil Philip (j 398.21 Phi)
Little Folk: Stories From Around the World / Paul Robert Walker (j 398.21 Wal)
Magical Creatures / Meg Clibbon (j 398.4 Cli)
Imps, Demons, Hobgoblins, Witches, Fairies & Elves / Leonard Baskin (j 398.45 Bas)
Fairies / Charlotte Guillain (j 398.45 Gui)
Fairies and Elves / Shannon Knudsen (j 398.45 Knu)
Fairies / John Malam (j 398.45 Mal)

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Suggestions from the Mt. Lebanon Public Library
These titles may be found in Juvenile Fiction unless otherwise noted

The Boy in the Oak / Jessica Alburn
When a boy tries to burn down the Druidic oak behind the cottage where he lives, angry Faeries absorb him into the tree, and when, years later, a new family with a little girl takes over the long abandoned house, the Faeries fear more trouble. Gr. 4+

The Various / Steve Augarde
A girl finds that she has a special connection to a tribe of strange and wild fairies that live in the nearby woods. Book one in the Touchstone series. Gr. 4+

The Fairy Rebel / Lynne Reid Banks
A rebellious fairy risks getting in trouble with the Fairy Queen when she decides to help a human. Gr. 3+

Hailey Twitch Is Not a Snitch / Lauren Barnholdt
Second-grader Hailey’s frustration over a school project releases Maybelle, a sprite whose punishment for being a rulemonger will end when she grants Hailey’s wish to have fun, but Maybelle’s efforts only seem to cause trouble. Book one in the Hailey Twitch series. Gr. K+

Come Fall / A.C.E. Bauer
Drawn together by a mentoring program and an unusual crow, middle school misfits Salman, Lu, and Blos form a strong friendship despite teasing by fellow students and the maneuverings of fairies Oberon, Titania, and Puck. Gr. 3+

The Field Guide / Tony DiTerlizzi and Holly Black (j BLACK)
The Grace children discover a field guide to fairies and other creatures in their Aunt’s old house. Book one in the The Spiderwick Chronicles. Gr. 3+

The Peculiar / Stefan Bachmann
After humans win the faery wars in England, a half-human, half-faery child, scorned by both races, finds himself at the center of a web of intrigue and danger when he is stalked by a sinister faery. Gr. 4+

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Modern Fairies, Dwarves, Goblins, & Other Nasties: A Practical Guide by Miss Edythe McFate / Lesley M.M. Blume
A compendium of practical information and cautionary tales about fairies and other similar magical creatures that might be encountered in modern cities, intended to help the child who may come into contact with them. Gr. 4+

Small Persons With Wings / Ellen Booraem
When Mellie Turpin's grandfather dies and leaves her family his run-down inn and bar, she learns that for generations her family members have been fairy guardians. Now that the fairies want a missing ring returned, the Turpins become involved in a series of magical adventures as they try to locate it. Gr. 4+

Pish and Posh / Barbara Bottner (j Er BOTTNER)
When Pish and Posh discover fairy magic, they face a series of wacky surprises.

Birdie's Book / Jan Bozarth
When twelve-year-old Birdie goes to meet her grandmother, who is estranged from Birdie's mother, she learns a secret which leads to fantastic adventures, new understanding, and a renewed closeness among members of her family. Book one in the Fairy Godmother Academy series. Gr. 4+

Summerland / Michael Chabon
The worst baseball player in the history of the game is called upon to help a band of fairies beat an ancient enemy. Gr. 4+

Artemis Fowl / Eoin Colfer
A 12-year-old boy captures a fairy for the ransom but the fairies fight back. Book one in the Artemis Fowl series. Gr. 4+

Fourth Grade Fairy / Eileen Cook
When fairy-godmother-in-training Willow's wish to attend a human school comes true, she finds getting along with humans to be harder than she expected, but her magical talent makes it easy to collaborate with animals. Gr. 3+

The World's Worst Fairy Godmother / Bruce Coville
Fairy Godmother Maybelle Clodnowski casts spells that backfire. Gr. 3+

Rise of the Darklings / Paul Crilley
After saving a piskie's life, twelve-year-old Emily Snow finds herself in the middle of a centuries-old war between rival fairy factions and a secret society named The Invisible Order. Book one of the Invisible Order series. Gr. 4+

The Cats of Tanglewood Forest / Charles de Lint
Twelve-year-old Lillian, an orphan who loves roaming the woods looking for fairies when her chores are done, is bitten by a deadly snake and saved through the magical forest creatures. Gr. 3+

The Book of Little Folk: Faery Stories and Poems From Around the World / Lauren Mills (j 808.8 Mil)
Elves, Fairies & Gnomes / Lee Bennett (j 808.81 Hop)
The Fairies’ Ring: A Book of Fairy Stories & Poems / collected and adapted by Jane Yolen (j 808.81 Yol)
Laura Ingalls Wilder’s Fairy Poems / Stephen W. Hines (j 811 Wil)
Fairies, Trolls, & Goblins Galore: Poems About Fantastic Creatures / Dyls Evans (j 811.08 Eva)
Fairyland: In Art and Poetry / illustrated by Richard Doyle (j 821.08 Fai)
Bottom's Dream by John Updike (j 822.3 Upd)
Bottom becomes involved in a dispute between the King and Queen of fairies.

William Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream / retold by Bruce Coville (j 822.33 Cov)
A simplified version of Shakespeare's play about the events that take place in a forest inhabited by fairies.

Fairy Houses—Everywhere! / Barry Kane (j 398.21 Kan)

Fairy Things To Stitch and Sew / Fiona Watt (j 642.2 Wat)
Kids Draw Angels, Elves, Fairies & More / Christopher Hart (j 743.87 Har)
Ralph Masiello's Fairy Drawing Book / Ralph Masiello (j 743.87 Mas)
Fairy Things To Make and Do / Rebecca Gilpin (j 745.5 Gil)
Fairy World Crafts / Kathy Ross (j 745.5 Ros)
Fairy Fun: A Child's Fairyland of Enchanting Projects and Magical Games / Marla Schram Schwartz (j 745.5 Sch)
The Midnight Fairy Craft and Party Book / Tracy Marsh (j 793.21 Mar)
Under the Green Hill / Laura L. Sullivan
While staying with distant relatives in England, four Americans children, along with their new neighbors, learn that one of them must fight to the death in the Midsummer War required by the local fairies. Gr. 4+

The New Policeman / Kate Thompson
Irish teenager JJ Liddy discovers that time is leaking from his world into Tir na nOg, the land of the fairies, and when he attempts to stop the leak he finds out a lot about his family history and a crime his great-grandfather may or may not have committed.

The Last of the High Kings / Kate Thompson
When eleven-year-old Jenny Liddy, in turmoil over learning that she is a changeling, makes a deal with a devil creature, she endangers the human race but her own cleverness, her human and fairy fathers, and the last of Ireland’s high kings help to make things right. Gr. 6+

In a Blink / Kiki Thorpe
When four friends are whisked out of their ordinary lives to Never Land, home to fairies and mermaids, Queen Clarion and Tinker Bell have to figure out a way for them to get home. Book one in The Never Girls series. Gr. 1+

Aurelie: A Faerie Tale / Heather Tomlinson
Heartsick at losing her two dearest companions, Princess Aurelie finds comfort in the glorious music of the fairies. Gr. 6+

When Fairies Go Bad / Ursula Vernon
Danny’s mother has disappeared into a fairy ring growing in her backyard vegetable garden, and Danny and his friends, Wendell and Christiana, must go to Faerie to try to save her. Book seven in the Dragonbreath series. Gr. 3+

Dust City / Robert Paul Weston
Henry Whelp, son of the Big Bad Wolf, investigates what happened to the fairies that used to protect humans and animalia, and what role the corporation that manufactures synthetic fairy dust played in his father’s crime. Gr. 6+

Catwitch / Una Woodruff
A special kitten is persuaded by fairies to go with them to fairyland to save their prince.

Curse of the Thirteenth Fey: The True Tale of Sleeping Beauty / Jane Yolen
Accident-prone, thirteen-year-old Gorse, the youngest fairy in her family, falls into a trap while on her way to the palace to bless the newborn princess, Talia, but arrives in time to give a gift which, although seemingly horrific, may prove to be a real blessing in this take-off on the classic tale of Sleeping Beauty. Gr. 4+

The Goblin Baby / Berlie Doherty
After nine-year-old Tam’s baby sister is stolen away by faeries and replaced by a goblin baby, he must journey to the land of the fairies to retrieve her and bring her back home. Gr. 2+

Silence and Stone / Kathleen Duey
Kidnapped and confined to a room in a castle before she can develop her flying and magical skills, Alida the faerie patiently plans her escape—with the help of a human boy. Book one in the Faeries’ Promise series. Gr. 3+

The Star Shard / Frederic S. Durbin
A twelve-year-old slave on a gigantic, traveling “wagon city” joins forces with a new—and magical—slave. As they plan their escape they encounter mystery, enchantment, and deadly monsters while their one chance for freedom draws ever nearer. Gr. 4+

Zeee / Elizabeth Enright
Zeee doesn’t like humans because they unknowingly destroy her homes, but then she is befriended by a girl who can see her. Gr. 2+

I, Coriander / Sally Gardner
In 17th century London, Coriander, a girl who has inherited magic from her mother, must find a way to use this magic in order to save both herself and an inhabitant of the fairy world where her mother was born. Gr. 5+

Fifth grade magic / Beatrice Gormley
Gretchen is visited by a well-meaning but inefficient fairy godmother. Gr. 3+

The Ugly Princess and the Wise Fool by Margaret Gray
A plain princess and a wise fool find answers to their quests together, with a little help from Fairy Godmothers. Gr. 3+

Claws / Mike Grinti
Twelve-year-old Emma Vu moves into a trailer park inhabited by magical beings known collectively as crags and begins learning cat magic in hopes of finding her missing sister, Helena. Gr. 4+

The Book of Fairies / Michael Hague
Collection of stories about fairies. Gr. 3+

Witch Catcher / Mary Downing Hahn
Having just moved into the home they inherited from a distant relative, twelve-year-old Jen is surprised that her father is already dating a local antiques dealer, but more surprised by what the spooky woman really wants. Gr. 3+
13 Treasures / Michelle Harrison
Bedeviled by evil fairies that only she can see, thirteen-year-old Tanya is sent to stay with her cold and distant grandmother at Elvesden Manor, where she and the caretaker’s son solve a disturbing mystery that leads them to the discovery that Tanya’s life is in danger. *Book one in the 13 Treasures series. Gr. 5+*

A Furl of Fairy Wind: Four Stories / Mollie Hunter
Stories in which people and fairies & brownies meet for the first time. *Gr. 3+*

Tollins: Explosive Tales for Children / Conn Iggulden
Tollins have wings, but they aren’t fairies. When a fireworks factory is using Tollins as industrial supplies, a young Tollin must save his people. *Gr. 2+*

Twig / Elizabeth Orton Jones
When magic makes Twig very tiny, she finds befriends the Fairy Queen. *Gr. 1+*

The Faerie Path / Frewin Jones
Anita, an ordinary sixteen-year-old girl, is transported from modern-day London to the realm of Faerie where she discovers that she is Princess Tania, the long-lost daughter of King Oberon and Queen Titania. *Book one in the Faerie Path series. Gr. 5+*

Philippa Fisher’s Fairy Godsister / Liz Kessler
When Philippa learns that the new girl at school is her reluctant fairy godsisiter, Philippa tries to use her customary three wishes constructively. *Gr. 3+*

The Water-Babies / Charles Kingsley
The classic story of a small chimney sweep who is stolen by fairies and turned into a water baby. *Gr. 5+*

Stories of Fairies / Anna Lester *Gr. K+*

Ella Enchanted / Gail Carson Levine
Ella’s Fairy Godmother gives her the gift of obedience. *Gr. 4+*

Unicorn Dreams / Elizabeth Lindsay
Lila longs to go to Silverlake Fairy School to learn about wands, charms and fairy magic. It’s all she’s ever dreamed of, but spoiled Princess Bee Balm is determined to stand in Lila’s way. *Book one in the Silverlake Fairy School series.*

The Gold Dust Letters / Janet Taylor Lisle
During a difficult time, Angela gets letters from her fairy godmother. *Gr. 3+*

The Book of Hob Stories / William Mayne
Hob is a friendly spirit who lives under the stairs and protects the house from evil beings. *Gr. K+*

The Moorchild / Eloise McGraw
A changeling tries to find the human child whose place she has taken. *Gr. 4+*

The Hunter’s Moon / O.R. Melling
Two teenage cousins, one Irish, the other from the United States, set out to find a magic doorway to the Faraway Country, where humans must bow to the little people. *Book one in the Chronicles of Faerie series. Gr. 6+*

Five Children and It / E. Nesbit
Four brothers and sisters discover a wish-granting sand-fairy. *Gr. 3+*

Dear Tooth Fairy / Jane O’Connor (J Er O’CONNOR)
Robby is upset about being the only child in class who has not lost a tooth, so he writes a letter to the Tooth Fairy in hopes that she can help. *A Fairy Tale* / Tony Ross
Young Bessie believes in fairies after she meets her new neighbor. *Gr. 3+*

Airy Fairy: Magic Mischief / Margaret Ryan
It’s nearly Christmas and all the fairies are looking forward to their Christmas party. Except for Airy Fairy. Her school report card is so bad that she’s been sent to sit on top of a prickly Christmas tree! *Gr. 1+*

Magicalamity / Kate Saunders
Eleven-year-old Tom is shocked to learn that he is a demisprite—half fairy and half mortal—and that he, aided by three fairy godmothers, must save his father, who is hiding in the fairy Realm, while safeguarding his mortal mother. *Gr. 4+*

The Night Fairy / Laura Amy Schlitz
When Flory the night fairy’s wings are accidentally broken and she cannot fly, she has to learn to do everything differently. *Gr. 1+*

The Changeling / Delia Sherman
Neef is a Changeling, stolen to be raised by fairies, with a fairy left in her place. Living in Central Park and closely watched by her fairy family, all Neef wants is freedom, but in the fairy world, freedom can be deadly. *Gr. 5+*

The Circus Lunicus / Marilyn Singer
An inflatable lizard turns into Solly’s fairy godmother and teaches him unusual tricks that have something to do with a celestial circus. *Gr. 3+*

Fairy Dust / Jane Denitz Smith
A girl is introduced to a magical fairy world by her new babysitter. *Gr. 2+*

A Fairy Called Hilary / Linda Leopold Strauss
A fairy’s magic makes everyday fun. *Gr. 1+*