

# The Fairy Tales of Katharine Lee Bates

## Creative Writing Project

### O B J E C T I V E S

- Students will identify parts of a newspaper.
- Students will become familiar with the inverted triangle style.
- Students will write creative pieces using a variety of writing styles such as persuasive, narrative and informative.
- Students will create illustrations to accompany a piece of writing.
- Students will use word processing skills to complete the assignment.
- Students will design a front-page based on their knowledge of newspapers.
- Students will distinguish between fact and opinion.

- Students will create an advertisement using basic design elements.
- Students will use relevant sources to write an editorial.
- Students will use supporting details to support the main idea.
- Students will use the writing process to complete creative writing pieces (pre-writing, revision, editing...)
- Students will listen respectfully as others share their work.
- Students will orally present creative writing pieces.

### Fairy Tale Writing Samples:

#### Editorial ---

#### **TIME TO INCREASE WOODLAND PATROLS**

Like many forest dwellers, the Theodore Bear family didn't think they had to keep their doors locked. As readers of this paper know, however, they discovered last Thursday that, even in the deep woods, we can't be as trusting today as we were in years past. Damaged furniture, a missing bowl of oatmeal and a few rumpled sheets were a small price to pay for this lesson. We all remember last year's sad tale of the grandmother who was killed and eaten by a wolf who apparently posed as her granddaughter to gain entry to her home. The lesson is that we all need to keep doors locked. But the sheriff's department also has a role to play in making the woods safe: We need more patrols of our once-friendly forests!

#### Features Story ---

MILLERSTOWN - Know an unusual boy's name? It could earn you a gold coin!  
The queen is holding a special contest, in which subjects are invited to submit strange names for boys.

If you come up with a name she's never heard of, she'll present you with a coin made from the famous gold she spun from straw, back before she married His Majesty!

#### Classified Ad --

Lost -- Six red mittens. Last seen in the vicinity of Smith's Barn. Reward of 2 milk jugs.

#### Hard News Story --

MICKEYVILLE - The Health Department has ordered a recall of all Morning Cakes from grocery shelves, following reports that the milk used in producing the cakes was not kept sterile.

A spokesman for the bakery denied that there was anything wrong with the product. "We bake cake, and nothing's the matter," he told reporters.

A Health Department representative, however, said the agency acted after learning that a small boy had been permitted to swim in, and to drink, milk in the bakery's oversized storage tank.

"Apparently, he was in the milk, and the milk was in him," she said.