

Imagine Your Story: Cinderella



The Cinderella story has spanned centuries and continents, changing to match the customs and cultures of the storyteller.

Most versions have the same theme: a young girl works tirelessly in the fields and in the kitchen. She sleeps at night by the hearth in the cinders and ashes, wishing for a

better way of life. She then finds a prince, or the prince finds her, and they fall in love and live happily every after.

Though scholars have disagreed on the exact number of versions of the story, most believe there have been over 3,000 adaptations including books, television, and films. Join Ms. Susan LIVE at 2pm, Thursday, August 6 for a story and craft with the items in your Cinderella activity pack!

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Glass Slipper, Gold Sandal: A World Wide Cinderella Story is a lovely retelling of the Cinderella story that seamlessly weaves details from the many different versions of the story. Traveling around the world you get to see the differences in cultures as they all tell the tale of the girl called many names, including Ashpet, Vasalisa, Sootface, Catskin, and of course, Cinderella.

Written by Paul Fleishman and illustrated by Julie Paschkis.



ART IDEA: Paper Plate Pumpkin Coach

In the American version of the story, Cinderella travels in a pumpkin turned into a coach. In the West Indies she travels by a breadfruit coach.

Use the paper plate to create a coach in the style of a breadfruit or a pumpkin, or whatever fruit you'd like to create with.

Supplies Provided:

- 1 Paper Plate
- 1/2 sheet black construction paper
- Assorted sequins

Other Supplies from Home:

- Crayons or markers
- Scissors
- Glue

Color, fold, cut, and glue your paper plate to be the best coach for Cinderella.

STEM IDEA: Build a wind powered coach to help Cinderella get to the Ball.

Supplies Provided:

- 1 4X4 square of paper
- 1 straw
- 1 paper plate
- 1/2 sheet of black construction paper
- Assorted sequins

Other Supplies from Home:

- Scotch tape
- Crayons or markers

Make the wind powered coach.

You may decorate the paper before you fold it. Fold your paper to create a pocket and tape the edges down. Use the straw to blow into the pocket to move the paper. How far can you blow it in one breath? Does it move in a straight line? Can you make it travel 10 feet in 10 seconds or less? Have a race to see how far your coach will go!

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