

True or False

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

NAME

DATE

Using the information in *Fairies*, verify whether the following information is true or false. Check your answers in the book. List the page number where you found your information beside your answer.

Statement 1	Gnomes are small creatures who guard rivers and lakes.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 2	In stories from Scotland, a fairy named Gentle Annie creates storms.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 3	In some legends, fairies live in kingdoms ruled by fairy kings or queens.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 4	Knockers are fairies that work in mines. They knock on the walls to lead humans toward their doom.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
Statement 5	In some stories, fairies appear as glowing spots of light in the air.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>



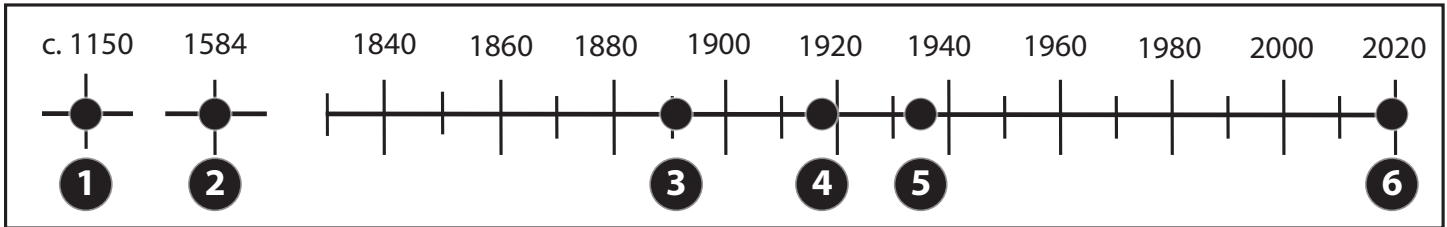
Make a Timeline

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

NAME

DATE

Number the events below in the order they should appear on the timeline. Write the number in the box beside each event. Check your answers with pages 28 of the book.



The Irish Folklore Commission is established by the government of the Republic of Ireland. It is created to preserve Irish cultural heritage, including fairy legends.

English author Reginald Scot defines fairies as “bugs,” and describes them as a product of fear in his book *The Discovery of Witchcraft*.

Geoffrey of Monmouth writes the poem *The Life of Merlin*. One of the characters of the poem is Morgan Le Fay, a fairy sorceress.

The Nutcracker ballet, with music by Pyotr Tchaikovsky, premieres in December of this year. One of its characters is a fairy known as Sugar Plum.

Photos of two young girls playing with fairies are taken in Cottingley, England. Believed to be genuine, they soon become a public sensation. The pictures are later proved to be a hoax.

Artemis Fowl is released in theaters. This movie adaptation of a popular fantasy book series of the same name is a modern take on Irish fairy legends.



Fill in the Blanks

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

NAME

DATE

Use the information found in *Fairies* to help you complete the following activity.

1. Some fairies have or plants growing on their skin.
2. Fairy tales are stories about creatures such as fairies.
3. Northern lights are natural light displays. They happen when tiny particles, called , arrive from the Sun and hit the gases that surround Earth.
4. Mushroom-like rock formations are known as “fairy ” because of their appearance.
5. In some stories, fairies appear as glowing spots of in the air.
6. In Greek , nymphs were female spirits of the natural world.



Complete the statements by writing the correct number in the box.

1. The word fairy comes from the Latin word *fata*. It is a name for the goddesses who determined human destiny. There were this many of them. **0.01**
2. *Tinkerbella nana* lives in Costa Rica. The insect is less than this many inches long. **1892**
3. Glamour makes humans see things that are not real. Breaking the spell can be hard. It requires an ointment made of clovers with this many leaves. **3**
4. Photos of two young girls playing with fairies are taken in Cottingley, England in this year. **4**
5. *The Nutcracker* ballet, with music by Pyotr Tchaikovsky, premieres in December of this year. **1917**



Write a Letter

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

NAME

DATE

Think about what it would be like to meet fairies. Write a letter to a friend describing an imaginary encounter with these creatures. What did they look like? What did they do? What did you say to them?



Quiz

Test your knowledge by answering these quiz questions.

NAME

DATE

1 What are fairies called in many legends?

2 What are the names of the fairies in Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*?

3 What is the effect of fairy dances in many stories?

4 What is an ugly fairy sometimes called?

5 How tall can brownie fairies be?

6 Where did fairy stories often come from?

7 What did the Merry Dancers form in Scottish legends?

8 What do scientists call insects such as *Tinkerbella Nana*?

9 How are leprechauns usually represented?

10 What are fairies that can take the forms of animals called?



Key Words Match-Up

Write the words from the list below in the box above the correct definition for each word.

NAME

DATE

KEY WORDS

myths	trades
hoax	folklore
Middle Ages	spinning
ointment	parasite



1.
a period in European history that lasted from the 400s AD to the 1400s AD

2.
fictional stories that people pass down over the years

3.
something false and deceptive presented as genuine

4.
using a spinning wheel to turn fibers into thread or yarn

5.
jobs that require special skills or training

6.
an animal or plant that lives on or in another living thing

7.
a skin cream used for medical purposes

8.
well-known, fictional stories common to a group of people

