

3.RL.2 Parent Helper

I CAN RECOUNT STORIES, INCLUDING FABLES, MYTHS, AND FOLKTALES FROM DIVERSE CULTURES, AND DETERMINE THEIR CENTRAL MESSAGE, LESSON OR MORAL.

Your child is learning to determine the moral of a fable, myth, or folktale.

Vocabulary Terms:

Recount

Fables

Myths

Folktales

Message

Moral/Lesson

Culture

Details

Sample Questions To Ask Your Child:

What is the central message in this story?

What is the moral of the story?

How do you know this is a myth? Fable? Folktale?

Recount (retell) the story.

What culture is this story from?

Need more resources?

Here are some great examples of texts for this standard:

The Boy Who Cried Wolf (traditional)

Pushing Up The Sky

How Chipmunk Got His Stripes by Joseph Bruchac

Turtle's Race with Beaver by Joseph Bruchac

How the Stars Fell into the Sky (A Navajo Legend)

Aesop's Fables

The Wind and the Sun

The Tortoise and the Hare

The Lion and the Mouse

The Ant and the Grasshopper

These are particularly fun for practice finding the moral of a story:

Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock by Eric A. Kimmel

Anansi Goes Fishing by Eric. A. Kimmel

Anansi and the Talking Melon by Eric A. Kimmel (Try pairing this story with Chicken Little)

You can search Aesop's Fables on YouTube and find lots of videos of the different fables. After the video you can ask your child some of the questions from above.