Grade 8 Drama: Fairy Tales

Your task...

You will create a <u>fractured</u> or a <u>twisted</u> version of a fairy tale.

Fractured? Twisted?

Fractured Fairy tales look at current fairy tales, but they are almost completely broken down with a different idea while keeping certain parts of the story the same.

Ex. The True Story of the Three Little Pigs

Twisted Fairy tales look at combining certain aspects of fairy tales, you can combine two or three different fairy tales to create a unique story with familiar characters that otherwise may not be together.

Ex. Shrek; Hoodwinked

*Both of these sometimes add a modern twist to old time fairy tales.

Ways to Fracture or Twist a Fairy tale

1. Put the story into verse or a rap. (Make it a song)
2. Tell the story from a different point of view (True Story of the Three Little Pigs)
3. Tell the story of a different character (woodcutter in Red Riding Hood; cow that is traded in Jack and the beanstalk)
4. Write a different ending (what if….?; What if Jack didn't get away from the giant?)
5. Change the personality or even species of the main character (Cinderella Penguin)
6. Have characters meet from different fairy tales (Shrek or Hoodwinked)

**You can explore other ideas as long as you run them past me.

The Assignment

1. Start thinking about fairy tales that you want to pursue.
2. Gather a group that wants to explore similar tales.
3. Brainstorm how your fairy tale will be fractured or twisted.
4. Create a storyboard to show what is happening during your play (beginning, middle, end) - SHOW ME!!
5. Create a script for your play - ALSO SHOW ME!!

**THIS ASSIGNMENT CAN BE COMPLETED AS A LIVE PRODUCTION OR A VIDEO PROJECT. BOTH WILL BE PRESENTED IN CLASS!

Potential Fairy Tales

- Cinderella

- Beauty and the Beast

- Hansel and Gretel

- Little Red Riding Hood

- Three Little Pigs

- Snow White & the Seven Dwarves

- Jack and the Beanstalk

- Sleeping Beauty

- Rapunzel

**If you would like to use any other fairy tales, check with me first!