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Imagine every child in your classroom enchanted by the best storytellers from around the world. These programs are especially designed to help children develop their literacy skills.

The Story Spinner DVD Series brings the magic of storytelling to every classroom. It draws on fairytales, fables, myths, legends and folktales to bring a sense of wonder to learning.

When a true storyteller speaks, everyone listens.

The words paint the pictures in the children's minds, allowing them to imagine and explore the characters and settings free of any influences or restrictions.

Each tale is told to the camera by the master storyteller who engages with the class through the expressive use of words and gestures, like traditional storytellers have told tales through the generations.

Each story also offers opportunities for drama, art, citizenship and other creative activities across the curriculum. The Story Spinner uses spoken language that is rich but not exclusive. It is also ideal for children with special needs and English as a second language.

"Watching the stories unfold in the company of children was inspiring. This is not just for Literacy but for all parts of the curriculum..."

Patrick Mildren, Literacy Co-Ordinator, Brecknock School

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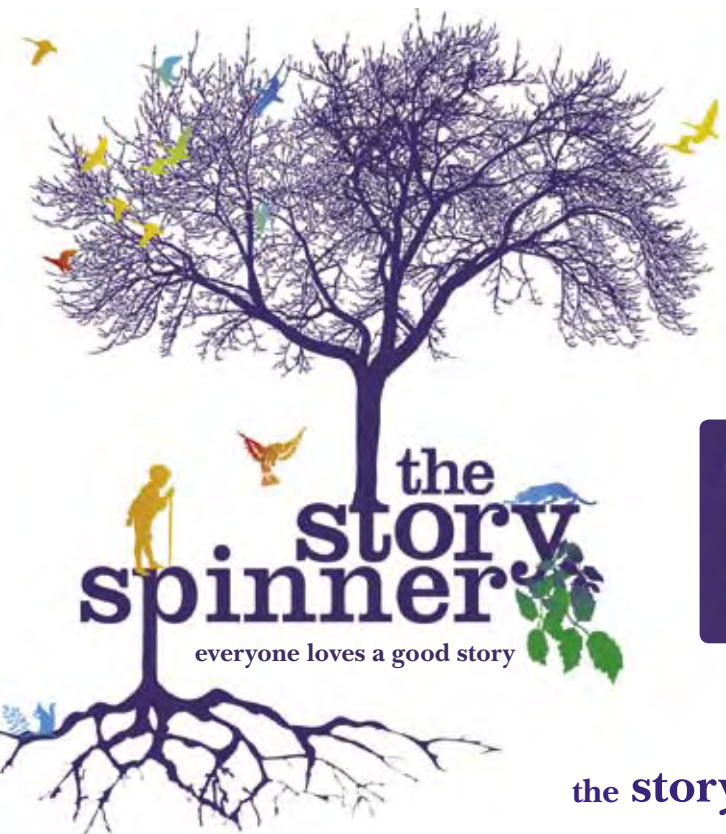
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Comments by Year 1 children at Avalon Primary School, NSW after watching "The Story Spinner -Sleeping Beauty"

"I liked how he used his hands and face and good words like adjectives ..."

"I could see the pictures in my head"

"Lots of images came into my mind - one at a time - I liked the speed it was not too fast and not too slow and a gentle voice"

"Even though this is a new story for me, I could understand it even just looking at his face I could see pictures in my mind"



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YEAR 3

Mr Wah Can the old servant save the girl from terrible danger? (16mins)

The Boy Who Cried Wolf When the wind blows, the wolves come. Be ready to raise the alarm and be sure the people believe you. (11mins)

Ali Babax Starry nights, scorching deserts, hidden caves, wise women, foolish men and a most excellent set of baddies. (17mins)

Aesop's fables Three funny and wise fables told with brio • The Greedy Fox • The Crow and the Fox • The Man and his Five Sons (14mins)

Odysseus & the Cyclops Who lives on that island? Who lives in that mysterious cave? Will the Cyclops cook the sailors, or just eat them raw? (21mins)

Musicians of Bremen The donkey's blind, the cat's dangerous, the chicken's tasty and the dog's useless. Perfect. Let's form a band. (16mins)

DVD Disc \$99.00 STD104

DIGITAL Disc \$121.00 STL233

Filed simply and without any distraction, veteran storyteller Phil McDermott weaves narrative magic that inspires at the same time that it informs and instructs. This format encourages children to use their own imagination to visualize the images that the words evoke, allowing them to create their own individual version of the story.

A booklet accompanies each disc.
Duration: 7 x 60-100 minute programs

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KINDERGARTEN

The Little Rabbit As little rabbit gets older he must venture out into the vast world beyond his hole. (14 mins)

The Woman and the Goat The woman has tried persuading the goat to jump over the style. (8mins)

Goldilocks In the woods is a cute little cottage. Goldilocks doesn't know that it's the home of the bears. (10mins)

Three Little Pigs " Little pig. Little pig. Let me in." (12mins)

The Three Billy Goats Gruff To get to the grass they have to cross the bridge where the troll hides. (8mins)

Jack & Jill What do you mean no water? Doesn't water grow everywhere?" (7mins)

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"Each tale is clearly and expressively presented to capture and maintain interest."

Jennie Bales, ASLA, Access Magazine.

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YEAR 1

Goat and the Lion How can the slowest, weakest and oldest of all the goats survive when the lion comes looking for his dinner? (9mins)

Brian Brian wanted to be special. Brian lied. He got found out. How can he be special now? (12mins)

Rumpelstiltskin You need magic to spin straw into gold and the girl doesn't have any. (13mins)

The Cat and the Parrot I say-you are the worst guest I've ever had. (12mins)

Monkey and a Turtle Some say that the turtle is the slowest and the monkey is the cleverest. (10mins)

The Selfish Giant The most exciting playground in the country is the giant's garden, but what will happen when he comes back? (11mins)

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YEAR 2

Sleeping Beauty Protected by the thorny hedge is a secret that has been lost. (13mins)

The Tin Soldier Who can protect the ballerina from the bad Jack-in-the-Box? (11mins)

Red Riding Hood A little girl. A big bad wolf. A deep dark wood. And a riding hood. (9mins)

Rapunzel When a princess is imprisoned in a tower only true love can set her free. (13mins)

Girl and the Ribbons When a girl catches a magical creature will it lead to great joy or great disappointment? (9 mins)

The Pied Piper of Hamelin The rats are everywhere! Who will save us? (13mins)

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YEAR 4

Po Wan and Kwan Yin Only the goddess can answer Po Wan's question, but the journey is long and full of danger. (16mins)

Granddad and the Laundry Basket When something becomes too much trouble, you throw it in the bin. But what if that something is a person? (10mins)

I Know a Man Who is this handsome stranger? What has he done with the chief's daughter? Can anyone come to a father's aid in his hour of need? (20mins)

Mashenka & The Bear Outside the door are presents. Outside the door is the bear. (19mins)

Theseus and the Minotaur Keep still! Nobody move! It's the Minotaur. In the darkness. He's coming. (24mins)

Girl and the Unicorn What is that flash of silver between the trees? Could it possibly be...Yes! A unicorn! (11mins)

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YEAR 5

Persephone A mother will do anything to get back her daughter, even if that means the destruction of the entire world. (17mins)

The Forever Boy Pietr wants to live forever and he will travel the world until he finds a place where he can. (13mins)

The Scottish Laird When he can't tell a story the boy is very downhearted until the whole world changes and a story is given to him. (19mins)

Palmer and the Mermaid When a fisherman is granted three wishes he does not know the full price he has to pay. (21mins)

Inn Of The Donkeys Why is Third Lady so rich? Could the secret lie in her magic box? (24mins)

The Spirit Foxes A Japanese fable about a bully who makes a grave mistake when he mocks the beliefs of the villagers. (11mins)

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The award winning Story Spinner DVDs will engage and motivate your children, and are proven to have a profound impact on their reading, writing, speaking and listening.

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SERIES K-6

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 DIGITAL Discs (Set 7) \$660.00 STL229

or available individually

Story Spinner Learning

Teachers' Resource

Professional Development Materials

Created by a team of Literacy Professionals, Story Spinner Learning is full of ideas, inspiration and the plans needed to quickly and easily start using the Story Spinner throughout the entire school. The pack includes best practice classroom video footage; planning tutorials and more. Save time and easily put stories at the heart of a truly creative curriculum.

INCLUDED ON THE DVD

Eve Bearne (Cambridge University) talks about her research findings and how and why the stories have had the powerful impact shown in key aspects of literacy. Pam Dowson (Cambridge University) gives an extensive guide to planning.

INCLUDED ON THE CD-ROM

Quick links to many areas of the curriculum give you lots of ideas to help get started using the stories. And there is extensive planning for 7 entire units of work, one story from each DVD.

THE BOOKLET

The Story Spinner Learning booklet contains suggestions to guide staff training sessions, including how to use the Story Spinner to expand existing plans or to develop speaking and listening.

DVD Disc & CD-ROM \$66.00 STD108
 DIGITAL Disc & CD-ROM \$88.00 STL242

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YEAR 6

The Little Red Riding Hood Trilogy

Part 1 The Coroner's Report. An old woman dead. A little girl missing. No one is innocent. (16mins)

Part 2 The Real Story! "What ever happened to that little girl, she deserved it!" (14mins)

Part 3 The Diary A voice from the past gives the true account of what happened in the Fulton Wood that day. (14mins)

The Sandman

Part 1 Curse of the Ganchana "I curse you Katie! From now on no one will believe anything you say!" (17mins)

Part 2 The Jaws of Despair "Get out! Get out! It's a ghost train!" (20mins)

Part 3 Journey of Hope "I'm coming for you Ganchana. You picked on a human girl. You picked on the wrong species!" (22mins)

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