Fairy Tales Reimagined (Middle Grade fiction)

E.D. Baker - "The Frog Princess" ~ book

Tales of the Frog Princess #1 (books)

Princess Emeralda a.k.a. Emma isn't exactly an ideal princess. Her laugh is more like a donkey's bray than tinkling bells, she trips over her own feet and she does not like Prince Jorge, whom her mother hopes she will marry. But if Emma ever thought to escape her troubles, she never expected it to happen by turning into a frog! When convinced to kiss a frog so he might return to being a prince, somehow the spell is reversed and Emma turns into a frog herself! Thus begins their adventure - a quest to return to human form.

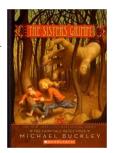


Fascinating and hilarious characters ranging from a self-conscious but friendly bat to a surprisingly loyal snake and a wise green witch confirm that readers won't soon forget this madcap story.

Michael Buckley - "The Fairy-Tale Detectives" ~ hardcover - paperback - audiobook - ebook

The Sisters Grimm #1 (books) (ebooks)

Orphaned sisters Sabrina and Daphne are sent to live with their newly discovered grandmother, Relda Grimm, in the strange town of Ferryport Landing. The girls soon learn a family secret: that they are descendants of the famous Brothers Grimm, whose book of fairy tales is actually a history book. When a terrorizing giant goes on a rampage through the town, it's up to the Sisters Grimm to stop him and to solve the mystery of who set the giant loose in the first place. Was it Mayor Charming, formerly Prince Charming, who desperately wants his kingdom back? The Three Not-So-Little Pigs, the shifty town cops? Or one of the many other fairy-tale characters who seem to have it out for the Grimms?



Adam Gidwitz - "A Tale Dark & Grimm" $\sim \underline{book}$ - \underline{ebook}

A Tale Dark & Grimm #1 (books) (ebooks)

In this mischievous and utterly original debut, Hansel and Gretel walk out of their own story and into eight other classic Grimm-inspired tales. As readers follow the siblings through a forest brimming with menacing foes, they learn the true story behind (and beyond) the bread crumbs, edible houses, and outwitted witches.

Fairy tales have never been more irreverent or subversive as Hansel and Gretel learn to take charge of their destinies and become the clever architects of their own happily ever after.



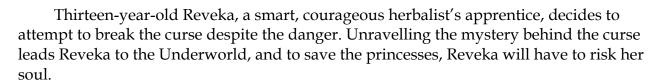
Shannon and Dean Hale - "Rapunzel's Revenge" (graphic novel) ~ <u>book</u> - <u>ebook</u> Rapunzel's Revenge #1 (<u>books</u>) (<u>ebook</u> #2)

Rapunzel escapes her tower-prison all on her own, only to discover a world beyond what she'd ever known before. Determined to rescue her real mother and to seek revenge on her kidnapper would-be mother, Rapunzel and her very long braids team up with Jack (of Giant killing fame) and together they perform daring deeds and rescues all over the western landscape, eventually winning the justice they so well deserve.



Merrie Haskell - "The Princess Curse" ~ book

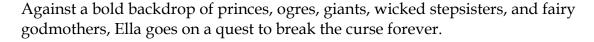
In the fifteenth-century kingdom of Sylvania, the prince offers a fabulous reward to anyone who cures the curse that forces the princesses to spend each night dancing to the point of exhaustion. Everyone who tries disappears or falls into an enchanted sleep.





Gail Carson Levine - "Ella Enchanted" ~ book - audiobook - ebook - e-audiobook

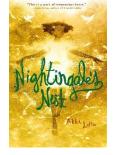
At her birth, Ella of Frell receives a foolish fairy's gift - the "gift" of obedience. Ella must obey any order, whether it's to hop on one foot for a day and a half, or to chop off her own head! But strong-willed Ella does not accept her fate...





Nikki Loftin - "Nightingale's Nest" ~ book

Twelve-year-old John Fischer Jr., "Little John" as he's always been known, is spending the hot Texas summer helping his father to clear trees for Mr. King, the richest and most powerful man in town. Then one day he hears a song through the brush, one so beautiful that it stops him in his tracks. He follows the melody and finds, not a bird, but a young girl sitting in the branches of a tall sycamore tree. There's something magical about this girl, Gayle, especially her soaring singing voice.



Little John's home is full of sorrow over his sister's death and endless stress over money troubles. But his friendship with Gayle quickly becomes the one bright spot in tough times... until Mr. King forces Little John into an impossible choice: Risk his family's wages and survival, or put Gayle's future in danger.

Emily Winfield Martin - "Snow & Rose" ~ book - audiobook - ebook - e-audiobook

Snow and Rose didn't know they were in a fairy tale. People never do...

Once, they lived in a big house with spectacular gardens and an army of servants. Once, they had a father and mother who loved them more than the sun and moon. But that was before their father disappeared into the woods and their mother disappeared into sorrow. This is the story of two sisters and the enchanted woods that have been waiting for them to break a set of terrible spells.



In Snow & Rose, bestselling author-illustrator Emily Winfield Martin retells the traditional but little-known fairy tale "Snow White and Rose Red." The beautiful full-color illustrations throughout and unusual yet relatable characters will bring readers back to this book again and again.

Marika McCoola - "Baba Yaga's Assistant" (graphic novel) ~ book

Most children think twice before braving a haunted wood filled with terrifying beasties to match wits with a witch, but not Masha. Her beloved grandma taught her many things: That stories are useful, that magic is fickle, that nothing is too difficult or too dirty to clean. The fearsome witch of folklore needs an assistant, and Masha needs an adventure. She may be clever enough to enter Baba Yaga's house-on-chicken-legs, but within its walls, deceit is the rule. To earn her place, Masha must pass a series of tests, outfox a territorial bear, and make dinner for her host. No easy task, with children on the menu!



Megan Morrison - "Grounded: The Adventures of Rapunzel" $\sim \underline{book}$ - \underline{ebook} - \underline{ebook} - \underline{ebook}

Tyme #1 (books) (ebooks and e-audiobooks)

In all of Tyme, from the Redlands to the Grey, no one is as lucky as Rapunzel. She lives in a magic tower that obeys her every wish; she reads wonderful books starring herself as the heroine; her hair is the longest, most glorious thing in the world. And she knows this because Witch tells her so - her beloved Witch, who protects her from evil princes, the dangerous ground under the tower, even unhappy thoughts. Rapunzel can't imagine any other life. Then a thief named Jack climbs into her room to steal one of her enchanted roses. He's the first person Rapunzel's ever met who isn't completely charmed by her (well, the first person she's met at all, really), and he is infuriating - especially when he hints that Witch isn't telling her the whole truth. Driven by anger at Jack and her own nameless fears, Rapunzel descends to the ground for the first time, and finds a world filled with more peril than Witch promised...and more beauty, wonder, and adventure than she could have dreamed.

