

Stor E Telling
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The holidays are here, along with a few multicultural sites to add fun, facts and mirth to your days, and stories to your repertoire!

The Children's Book of Christmas Stories

Classic tales dating back to 1926.

<http://www.blackmask.com/books72c/cbest.htm>

Christmas Potpourri

An amazing array of holiday stories hearkening all the way back to 1819.

<http://www.elliemik.com/christmasetexts3.html>

Folktales.net

Storyteller Eshu Bumpus generously shares a selection of folktales, high lightening the seven principles of Kwanzaa.

<http://www.folktales.net/Kwanza1.html>

How is Christmas Celebrated Around the World?

Add some interesting facts to your holiday folktales. Visit eight countries and learn about their celebrations, food, music and customs.

<http://www.teachers.ash.org.au/denise/HowChristmasIsCelebrated.htm>

How To Say "Merry Christmas!"

Planning on hosting a holiday party? From Afrikaner to Welsh, you will be able to greet your guests in their native tongue. <http://www.infostarbase.com/tnr/xmas/merry.html>

Hasidic Stories

From the website of storyteller Doug Lipman, a fantastic selection of stories.

<http://www.hasidicstories.com/stories1.html>

Mything Links – Yuletide Around the World

An annotated & illustrated collection with links to Mythologies, Fairy Tales & Folklore, Sacred Arts & Sacred Traditions around the globe.

<http://www.mythinglinks.org/wintersolstice~YuleLinks.html>

Planetpals.com

Spice up your holiday stories with two easy to do origami folds; a star <http://www.planetpals.com/ppcraft2.html> and a Christmas tree <http://www.tammyyee.com/origamitree.html>.

Sources for Jewish Folktales and Stories

A useful bibliography of tales for both children and adults.

http://www.jewishlibraries.org/ajlweb/resources/bib_bank/OaklandUFolktales.pdf

The Next Generation

“I’ve got a feeling we’re not in Kansas anymore.” Yes, storytelling has met the digital generation and the next generation of tellers is bringing their talents to the table. I offer these websites, which stretch the boundaries of our traditional storytelling.

Center for Digital Storytelling

This California arts organization assists “young people and adults in using the tools of digital media to craft, record, and share the stories of individuals and communities, in ways that improve all our lives.” <http://www.storycenter.org/>

Fringing the Globe

An informative list of festivals for those who enjoy visiting living “on the fringe.”

<http://www.sffringe.org/globe.html>

Tech Head Stories

A plethora of digital storytelling websites highlighting corporate storytelling, personal, educational and historic journals, along with the tools to teach you how to “digital storytell.” There is also a good collection of traditional story resources as well.

<http://tech-head.com/dstory.htm>