Tell Me A Story: A Folktales Cyberhunt

Your Name: ____________________  
Class Hour: ________________

Directions:
 a. Find out more about folktales and myths by looking at the Internet links with each question. (You can get to the links from this page by pointing at the link and left clicking with the mouse.)  
b. Write your answers on your paper. Don’t talk to other students about the answers. Receive help from parents only to answer computer questions.

Folktales are stories passed down through a culture from one generation to the next, and they are heard and read in countries all over the world. The same basic folktales may be told in many countries but in a slightly different way. The folktales tell us much about a country and culture. Let’s find out more about some of the countries and stories we will read about in class.

1. Two brothers collected stories for many years and published many volumes of German folktales. What were their first and last names?

2. How many folktales were in their book published in 1812?

Now look at these different websites to learn about Chinese folktales and answer questions 3 and 4.

4. Look at http://mrkellysclass.net/Asian_studies_6th_grade%20folder/ancient_chinese_symbolism.htm for information and examples of Chinese symbolism in art. What are two symbols that stand out to you? What is distinctive / unusual about them?

Keep going! There are more questions on page 2.
One of our folktales will be an African tale originally from Uganda. Go to http://prezi.com/s7vcceguxlyu/?utm_campaign=share&utm_medium=copy to read about real students in today’s culture. Click the right arrow or use your arrow keys to advance. Read about the school and students, and write down two specific similarities (#5) and two specific differences (#6) between you and them.

5. Similarities –

6. Differences -

Read a South Carolina folktale by going to http://www.americanfolklore.net/folktales/sc1.html. Something about the animals is common in folktales and fables. What is it?

7.

If you need a clue for #7, try looking at folktale characteristics at http://www.eve-tal.com/Folktales.html#What_Makes_a_Folktale.

There are so many folktales that can be read! Folktales are fun and easy reading, yet we learn a great deal at the same time about different people and places.