

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

CHANGING STORIES

Before you watch

1 Match the photos with the words in the box.

campfire earthquake hare tortoise



1 hare

2 earthquake



3 tortoise

4 campfire

2 Think about your answers to the questions below. Then compare your answers with a partner.

- When you were a child what were your favourite stories?
- Why do you think some stories have lasted for centuries? What's special about them? What elements do you think they might have in common?

Students' own answers

While you watch

3 Watch the video. What reasons does the video give for the importance of stories in the past?

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As a way to explain the weather, the seasons, and other natural phenomena, like volcanoes and earthquakes; to talk about the stars at night; to teach a moral message

4 Watch the video up to 01:42. What does the video say about the things below?

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- the spoken word
how the first stories were told
- campfires
where stories were probably told
- pictures of animals and people
how storytellers imagined the stars
- fables
stories with a moral message
- ancient Greece
home of Aesop, famous for his fables

5 Watch the video from 01:42 to the end and answer the questions.

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- Who won the race in the fable of the hare and the tortoise? The tortoise.
- Why did that happen? The hare stopped for a break, but the tortoise kept going.
- What do people expect to see in a modern story from Hollywood? Fast, exciting stories with heroes.
- What can people do with stories using social media? Share them.
- What does the video say stories have always done? Connect us to people, places we've come from and places we'd like to go to.

After you watch

6 Discuss the questions below with a partner. Do you agree or disagree?

- Can you think of another fable with a strong moral message like *The Hare and the Tortoise*?
- Do you think people read more or less now than in the past?
- How do you think storytelling will change in the future?

Students' own answers