What is a Folk Tale?

A folk tale is a story or legend handed down from generation to generation usually by oral retelling. Folk tales often explain something that happens in nature or convey a certain truth about life. The beginning of the story starts with "Once upon a time . . . " or a similar phrase. Magic events, characters, and objects are part of the story One character is someone of royalty (king, queen, prince, princess, etc.) One character is wicked. One character is good. Goodness is rewarded in the story. Certain numbers like three and seven are in the story (three eggs, seven sisters, etc.) The story ends with ". . .they lived happily ever after." List folk tales you have read this school year. Answers

Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters Sleeping Beauty Rumpelstiltskin Johnny Appleseed