

## Settings: Storybox



A shoebox makes a lovely housing for a model of the settings in fairy tales. The outside of the box can be decorated to show themes within the story. For example, with Hansel and Gretel a variety of box shapes and circular tins can be decorated as cakes to explore the theme of food. Inside each box a different setting and scene is then created. The woodsman's house, the children in the forest, the children eating the witch's house, inside the witch's house etc. These could be laid out on a tablecloth and used by the class to re-tell the story. Creative writing can then be developed with a focus on setting. Written passages can be fixed to the inside of the box or tin lid. This is an excellent activity for co-operative group work or as a long term homework task.

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