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Fairy Tales and Heroic Quests

### Essay 3

Please write a 4-6 page, typed, double-spaced essay that does the following:

#### Part I

Rewrite a popular fairy tale. As you construct your version, please make sure that you do not simply “retell” the story. Your paper should make some significant changes to the tale’s plot, ending, tone, point of view, or general focus. Let your version of the story provide readers with different ideas or conclusions than those presented by the original text. Also, try to write well; let yourself enjoy the delicate, detailed process of storytelling! Feel free to draw illustrations to include, if you’d like.

#### Part II

After you have written a new version of the story, analyze your efforts. Write an explanation of your work; describe the changes you have made and why you have made them. What were you attempting to do here? Why have you chosen to make these particular changes? What do they add (or take away from) popular versions of the story? Did you add any new symbols? Why? How? Did you want your piece to have a moral? Why? What is the moral or main idea you wanted to convey?

(The paper should be 4-6 pages long; please dedicate 1.5 - 2 of these pages to your explanation / analysis. I will be grading the quality of your self-analysis in this part.)