

Bookfolio for North American Legends

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Recommended for: [Grades 4-6](#)

Classification: Fiction

Genre: [Legends and Folktales](#)

MultiCulture: Native American

Story Summary: For this anthology, folklorist, Virginia Haviland, has selected stories that reflect the myths and legends of the American Indians and Eskimos, stories of black Americans, Appalachian tales, and the tall tales of the American frontier. The author describes this collection as "an anthology of myths, legends, and tales of North America." Familiar folk heroes, Paul Bunyan, Johnny Appleseed, Pecos Bill, Davy Crockett, and not so familiar versions of the Br'er Rabbit tales are included. Unique to this collection are "The Indian Cinderella," which comes from the Northeast Woodlands, Glooskap, who saved his people from cold and death, Saynday, the cultural hero of the Kiowa Indians, and Sedna, the Eskimo's sea goddess. Throughout the book, the reader encounters explanatory tales, often including animals that possess human qualities and magical powers represented by Raven, Coyote, and Woodpecker.

Read-aloud Recommendation: "Sedna the Sea Goddess," page 60

The skills for each activity are identified by the following abbreviations:

R=Reading, W=Writing, S=Speaking, L=Listening, D=Drawing

North American Legends - Independent Activities	Skills
1. Tell Me Why (Comparing legend with fact)	R , W
2. Cinderella Tales (Comparing two versions of a tale)	R , W
3. The Real Davy Crockett (Comparing legend with fact)	R , S , W
4. A Third Tale About Pleiades (Creating a myth)	D , R , S , W
5. The Art of the Storyteller (Retelling a story)	R , S
6. Legendary Hero (Writing a letter)	R , S , W
North American Legends - Group Activities	Skills
1. Why the Sun is the Sky (Creating a pourquoi tale)	R , S
2. Across the Continent (Making a map)	D , R
3. Summary Statements (Writing summary statements)	R , W
4. The Voyages of the Tuscarora (Making a map)	D , R , S
5. A Rhebus Title (Creating rebus puzzles)	D , R
6. "Let's Talk About..." (Discussing the Story)	L , S

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