Abound Parenting News
Theme: Folktales & Fairy Tales (week1)

Albert Einstein once said:
"If you want your children to be intelligent, read them fairytales. If you want them to be *more* intelligent, read them *more* fairytales."

If you're wondering about how/whether children benefit from these old-fashioned stories, here's a short article outlining some of the research.

WordUp word of the week:
VARY

How was this word chosen? This is an academic word, the kind of word that takes *lots* of exposures to learn, and that children will need to know to read texts successfully in the years to come.

The Abound app gives your child 7 opportunities to hear and use the week's abstract word. For extra practice, here are 2 more questions about this week's word, **VARY.**

(**VARY** *definition: different in size or amount; doing something different from what you normally do.*)

➤ *Do you always sit in the same place to eat dinner or watch television, or do you* **VARY** *where you sit? What's good about sitting in the same place every time, and what's good about* **VARYING** *where you sit?*

➤ *If your teacher asked you to read two fairy tales 3 times each for the week's homework, would you read the same fairy tale three days in a row and then the other fairy tale the* **next** *three days in a row, or* **VARY** *how you read them?*

This week's featured *TalkOn* question to inspire more TALK at home:

➤ *Lots of animals have* **tails** *but there is a different word,* **tale,** *that sounds the same but is spelled differently, and means a kind of story. How many fairy tales can we think of that have characters with* **tails***?*

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