

What We Already Knew About the Story	The Similarities & Differences with the “Original” Grimm Tale	The Similarities & Differences with “Ever After”
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A girl is a slave to her evil step-mother and step-sisters • Cinderella wants to go the ball but can't; her fairy godmother helps • She goes to the ball but runs away at midnight when the spell breaks • Loses her shoe and the prince goes to find her • Step-sisters try it on without success; Cinderella is found to try it on and they live happily ever after 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A girl is a slave to her step-family but her father is still alive • Cinderella wants to go to the festival; step-mother has her pick out beans from the ashes and still does not let her go • Birds from the tree at her mother's grave grants her dresses and shoes each night • Cinderella runs away from the prince each night; the third night the prince traps her shoe on the steps with pitch • Step-sisters cut off their toe and heel to fit into the shoe; the birds tell the prince and he asks for Cinderella • The shoe fits and they get married; birds peck out the eyes of the step-sisters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A girl is a slave to her evil step-mother and step-sisters • Cinderella/Danielle meets the prince (and Leonardo da Vinci) several times; the prince helps her free servants • A ball is announced and Danielle is not allowed to go; da Vinci helps her to go • Step-mother reveals Danielle's identity at the ball and the prince won't talk to her; she loses her glass slipper • Danielle/Cinderella is sold to an evil baron • She frees herself before the prince can save her and give her shoe back • Once married, Cinderella sentences her step-family to lives as servants

Let's Review...

A. Despite the differences, what elements stay the same in all versions?

- ▶ On your sheet of notebook paper (on the back), answer the above question in at least 2 complete sentences.



B. Why do you think each culture has a similar story? What purpose does this story serve?

- ▶ On your sheet of notebook paper (on the back), answer the above question in at least 2 complete sentences under your previous answer.



Same Story – Different Story

- ▶ Each culture on earth has a “Cinderella” type of story.
- ▶ There are 4 different versions at your table:
 - ▶ *Yeh Shin* (China)
 - ▶ Egyptian Cinderella (Egypt) – Thought to be the oldest version
 - ▶ *Baba Yaga* (Russia)
 - ▶ *The Golden Sandal* (Middle East)



Directions

- ▶ Take turns reading each story.
- ▶ After reading, answer the questions at the end of each story in complete sentences.



Overall Elements & Themes

- ▶ Answer these questions in complete sentences:
- ▶ C. What elements of ALL the Cinderella stories we have read/seen remain the same in each one?
- ▶ D. Each version has a similar theme. What is the most common theme present in each story? Refer to your universal themes handout.

