

Too Many Fairies: A Celtic Tale - Marshall Cavendish, 2010 - 2010 - 32 pages -

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S.M. My retelling of "Too Many Fairies" is derived from a tale told in both Scotland and Ireland. For other versions, see Barbara Ker Wilson's *Scottish Folk-Tales and Legends* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1954) and *Folktales for Reading and Telling* by Leila Berg and George Him (New York: World Publishing, 1966). In folktale indexes, see Motif F381.8 Spinning fairies lured away from house by fire alarm. Joseph Jacob's *Celtic Folk and Fairy Tales* (New York: G.P. Putnam, 1954) has a darker Irish version of the story set in Tipperary. For suggestions about telling this story, see Shake-it-up T... An old woman complains about all the housework she has to do, but when some fairies come to help her she finds that they are more trouble than they are worth. An old woman complains about all the housework she has to do, but when some fairies come to help her, she finds that they are more trouble than they are worth. 2.9. K-3. *School Library Journal*, April 2010; *Booklist*, April 2010; *Horn Book*, October 2010; *Kirkus Review*, March 2010; *Library Media Connection*, August 2010. Republisher_date. 20200818155637. Too Many Fairies book. Read 45 reviews from the world's largest community for readers. An old woman is at her wit's end when a troop of fairies won't stop. Goodreads helps you keep track of books you want to read. Start by marking "Too Many Fairies: A Celtic Tale" as Want to Read: Want to Read saving; Want to Read. Currently Reading. Read. Other editions. Enlarge cover. A fairy tale in which the fairies get fired, MacDonald's take on a Scottish-Irish folktale starts with an old woman who hates housework. A voice from outside calls ("Your luck has come! Open the door! / Let me in and you'll work no more!"), and soon several fairies have taken over her house, doing all the chores to which the old woman has grown accustomed. When she yells "Fairies STOP!" because they're so "rackety," they proceed to take apart all they have done, so that they can start all over again. She is a folklorist, children's librarian, and the author of more than 55 books on folklore and storytelling. Dr. MacDonald lives in Kirkland, Washington. Illustrator Susan Mitchell lives in Montreal, Canada.