Once upon a time...

Once upon a time lived a boisterous boy called Jack,
who travelled to the market and eagerly wandered back,
He heroically clambered to the top of a sturdy stalk,
to the castle where a gigantic giant did walk.

Once upon a time lived a gallant gingerbread man,
who bounced right out of a burning oven pan,
To bolt as fast and as far as he could,
through the farm and the vast, caliginous wood.

Once upon a time lived Hansel and Gretel,
who got lost in winding woodland of briers and nettles.
They discovered a dwelling made of sweets and cake,
every sweet treat a baker could make.

Once upon a time, there was a girl dressed in crimson red,
whose granny was painfully poorly and resting in bed.
She left home to see her; a wild wolf watched her go,
Would he beat her to her Grandma's? How would she know?

Once upon a time lived a girl dressed in tatters,
For her, the blissful ball was the only thing that mattered,
A spell from a fabulous fairy and soon she was there,
But look at the clock. It's midnight! Beware!

All of these tales have one thing the same,
a famous main character, you know them by name.
Some filled with disaster, some filled with laughter,
but all of them end with a happily ever after.