



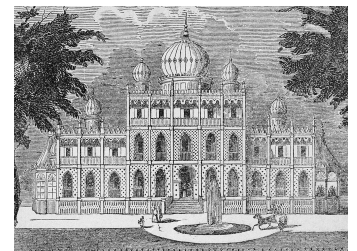
HOW TO WRITE A FAIRY TALE

A fairy tale is a make-believe story. Anything can happen in it! Fairy tales often include a magical object or a person with magical powers, like a wizard or fairy godmother. Sometimes a regular person discovers he or she has magical powers. Every good story has a problem that must be solved with the help of this magic.

We will help you start your own fairy tale. We have picked the place: the Barnum family's home called Iranistan. (It looks like a palace!)

You choose:

- Two (2) characters
- Words that describe your characters (adjectives)
- The problem to be solved
- The solution—a magical object!
- How the magical object will solve the problem



Iranistan

Use the plan on the next page to start writing your fairy tale. You can add details to make the story more exciting!

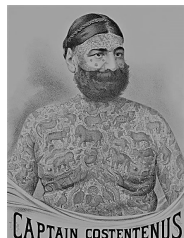
Characters (click on picture to learn more)



General
Tom Thumb



Lavinia
Warren



Captain
Costentenus



Jumbo



P. T. Barnum



Caroline, Pauline
& Helen Barnum
(l to r)

Objects (click on picture to learn more)



Jenny Lind
Mirror



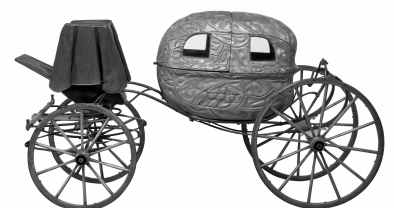
P. T. Barnum's
Gold Ring



Lavinia's Tiny
Thimble



P. T. Barnum's
Top Hat



Commodore Nutt's Carriage



WRITE YOUR OWN FAIRY TALE

Once upon a time, there was a/an _____
(Adjective)

_____ named _____.
(Character) (Name)

_____ went to visit the palace of Iranistan in Bridgeport.
(Name)

While in the palace of Iranistan, _____ had a problem.
(Name)

What was the problem? _____
_____.

_____ asked _____ for help.
(Name) (Second Character)

_____ was very _____.
(Second Character) (Adjective)

Luckily, that person had a magic _____ that could
_____.
(Object) (Magical Powers)

Together, they used the magic _____ to _____.
_____.
(Object) (How they solved the problem)

_____ thanked _____.
(Name) (Second Character)

for their help and they all lived happily ever after.