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Fairy Tales: Dramolettes



Synopsis

Three mini-plays by the German wunderkind and asylum-dweller. Fairy Tales gathers the unconventional verse dramolettes of the Swiss writer Robert Walser. Narrated in Walser's inimitable, playful language, these theatrical pieces overturn traditional notions of the fairy tale, transforming the Brothers Grimm into metatheater, even metareflections. Snow White forgives the evil queen for trying to kill her, Cinderella doubts her prince and enjoys being hated by her evil stepsisters; the Fairy Tale itself is a character who encourages her to stay within the confines of the story. Sleeping Beauty, the royal family, and its retainers are not happy about being woken from their sleep by an absurd, unpretentious, Walser-like hero. Mary and Joseph are taken aback by what lies in store for their baby Jesus.

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My one star is not for the interesting book or the distinguished author, but for the ridiculous review questions. Once I saw the categories of questions about violence and sexual content, I no longer wanted to participate in this evaluation. I am fed up with the current American fear that there might be something in a book that the reader doesn't like or finds offensive. Grow up, for Pete's sake!

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