

Finding Local Folklore:  
Spooky Tales & Superstitions in Your Community

Read through these questions and try to answer them... have you ever heard stories like this? Now ask some of your family members these same questions. Maybe you'll hear a few spooky stories from the past that you've never heard before! Please remember to take lots of notes.

1). Is there a place in your community that people say is haunted? ....a haunted cemetery, a haunted walkway, a haunted cliff or rock, a house, or other building? What are the ghostly stories connected to these places?

2). When you were growing up, were there any places you were told not to go because the fairies would get you? Where was this and what are the stories you were told?

3). What are the local stories about shipwrecks? ...buried treasures? What about ghost or weather lights seen on the water?

4). Are there any people who are believed to be witches in the community? Why do people think this? What kind of powers does this person have?

5). Have you ever had a visit from the Old Hag while you were sleeping? What happened and do you believe that this experience was real or just a dream?

6). Do you know of any special charms, superstitions, cures or remedies that are used in your community?