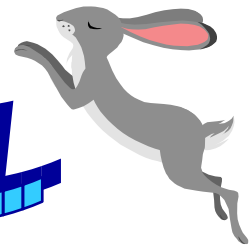
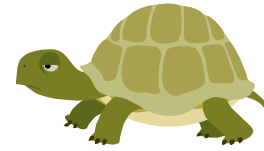


# Our Current Genre Study



## Fables!!!



Week of September 21-28<sup>th</sup>:

In reading we are talking about the characteristics of Fables in relation to the four major story elements. (*characters, plot, setting, theme*)

<b>characters</b> <i>the people or animals in the story</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ generally animals that talk and behave like humans (personification)</li><li>◆ have obvious character traits</li></ul>
<b>plot</b> <i>the events or the structure of the action; what happens</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ centers on a conflict or problem</li><li>◆ teaches a lesson</li><li>◆ plot is central</li><li>◆ incorporates cause and effect</li></ul>
<b>setting</b> <i>the time and place in which the story occurs</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ simple setting</li><li>◆ generally outside</li><li>◆ minor element</li></ul>
<b>theme</b> <i>the message the author conveys about life (lesson)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ the lesson is called a moral</li><li>◆ stated explicitly at the end</li><li>◆ taught by the plot</li></ul>
<b>other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ short</li><li>◆ can have different versions</li><li>◆ orally passed down</li></ul>

## Parent Challenge

*Have your child tell you about a fable they have read in class and see if you can identify any of these characteristics!*