

Hi everyone!

So, we just started reading. We are three chapters in, and we've had to edit a few stories within the story. They're all culturally accurate, which is awesome. But, for the little ones, especially, you might want to edit some of these. I skimmed through the rest of the book and have included any that you might want to watch for.

It's really interesting seeing what was considered completely appropriate for young kids to read. I'm attaching the wikipedia article if you're interested in learning more or sharing the details with any of the older kids reading the book. And, fortunately, all the stories are not given any weight by the boys, so there is a glossed over feeling to them all. Have fun reading (and editing) ;)

See you next month!

PS The \$7 paperback version on Amazon has no pictures!! I'm returning mine and just printed the Gutenberg one and put it in a binder.

PPS I'm thinking the author must have been Swiss like my dad, because her letter ends with something my dad would say — "They are certainly among the best educated and most courageous people in the world." Hahaha! My dad would not disagree!

Chapter 2 - Over the Rhine

Mermaids luring people

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lorelei>

Mouse Tower — legend is a bishop kills people in a barn and their spirits turn into mice and they eat him!

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mouse_Tower

Chapter 3 - Bear City

Childeater statue

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kindlifresserbrunnen>

Chapter 7 - Saturday Evening at Lake Lucerne

Ghost story about the name of the mountain - Pilate (from the Bible) came here and killed himself and then haunted the lake and mountain.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mount_Pilatus

William Tell and His Little Son

The story ends with him killing the governor

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William_Tell