

**World Lit**  
**Mrs. Renner**  
**Kaffir Boy Unit**

As we prepare to read this novel set in South Africa, you will explore a....

## **South African Folk Tale**

What is a folk tale? A folk tale is defined as a tale or legend originating and traditional among a people or folk, especially one forming part of the oral tradition of the common people.

Folk tales often explain something that happens in nature or convey **a certain truth about life.**

For this assignment, find a South African folktale to share with the class. You may use a notecard but must know your tale well enough to share it with the class with minimal glancing at the card. Each student is responsible for a folktale. If you would like to work with a partner you may but must then present **two** tales to the class.

Use Keynote as a visual aid to bring the tale to life in **PICTURES ONLY**. The tale is NOT to appear on the slides (so NO sentences), but single-word LABELS may be on them. **YOU are the storyteller, not the slides.** Your FINAL slide should be related to the MESSAGE or LESSON or TRUTH or MORAL that the folk tale is teaching. Again NO WORDS/SENTENCES on your slides, just pictures and a label under pictures if necessary.

Below are websites that have a variety of South African Folk Tales to choose from. After you select the tale, record the name of it on the chart so that we don't have duplicates.

These are tales specifically attributed to **the Venda tribe** that we will read about:

<http://www.tambani.co.za/venda-folktales/>

If you choose one from this list that is only one paragraph long, pair it with another one with a similar title or theme (i.e. 2 Lion tales)

<http://www.sacred-texts.com/afr/saft/index.htm>

Here is another **Venda folk tale** not on list above:

[http://www.museum.msu.edu/glqc/collections\\_2002.9.1.html](http://www.museum.msu.edu/glqc/collections_2002.9.1.html)

