

# A List of Orphans Past

You may have noticed that when modern entertainment features children as main characters it often features them as orphans, (consider Harry Potter or pretty much every animated Disney feature prior to *The Incredibles*). Perhaps this is a convenient plot device to allow the children to get into trouble and have an adventure without the parents stepping in and solving all their problems for them. But whatever the reason, this isn't a modern development at all. Folktales and literature from centuries past are filled with storylines of brave children facing the world, having adventures, and growing up without the support of parents.

The names of six, well-known orphans from literature appear below. Each character first appeared in a book published over 100 years ago. The names are presented in order of publication (from oldest to newest).

The orphans' names have all been encoded with the same simple-substitution cipher, (where each letter of the alphabet has been replaced consistently with a different letter of the alphabet). Decode each name and write the name of the author that created each character in the blanks on the right.

When you are done, read down through the boxed letters to find another literary figure who also lost his parents.

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