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- 2 Beauty soothes and evantually falls in love with Beast in "Beauty and the Beast"
- 5 A gingerbread house lured Hansel and Gretel into the witches clutches in "Hansel and Gretel"
- 10,9 "Tom Thumb" was so-called because he was no bigger than a thumb (Tom Thumbs are firecrackers)
- 11 "My what big teeth you have", Little Red Riding Hood says to the wolf in some versions
- 12 Dorothy (Gale) in "Wizard of Oz" was carried to Oz by a storm / cyclone / tornado / twister
- 13 Princess Leia is underground leader in original "Star Wars" trilogy (and a reluctant Han Solo admirer)
- 14 Dorothy's family lived on a farm in the great Kansas prairies
- 15,24 "How To Train Your Dragon" by Cressida Cowell featuring Hiccup and Toothless
- 17 German fairy tale where "Rapunzel" lets down her hair so her prince can climb up (sounds painful to me)
- 19 see 1d
- 22 Somewhat reluctantly, Shrek (Mike Myers) travels on his quest with Donkey (Eddie Murphy) in "Shrek"
- 23 Bagheera (responsible panther) and Baloo (irresponsible bear) act as guardians of Mowgli in "The Jungle Book"
- 25 "Hello Ducky" could cheekily be said to Donald Duck or Daffy Duck
- 26 Templeton in "Charlotte's Web" by E B White and Armitage in "Ratburger" by David Walliams are both rats
- 27 see 10
- 30 Cinderella is forced to work like a slave by wicked step-mother and step-sisters (but keeps remarkable cheer)
- 32 A picture within a picture (or a map within a map) is known as an "inset"
- 33 Mad Hatters's Tea Party in "Alice in Wonderland"; the Hatter pours tea on the nose of the dormouse to wake him
- 34 "Shorty" could very rudely be used to address Tom Thumb
- 35 The wonderful Badger in "The Wind in the Willows" lives in the wild wood

DOWN

- 1,19,27 "Little Red Riding Hood" is bringing food to her grandmother
- 2 As a fawn, "Bambi" witnesses his mother being shot; but eventually he grows up to be Great Prince of the Forest
- 3 Woody Allen voices anxious Ant Z-4195 (or Z for short) in the movie Antz
- 4 "The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole, Aged 13 ¾" is the first in the series; when he was a typically troubled teenager
- 6 Despite his manifest charms and loyalty; it is fair to say that Donkey in "Shrek" is something of an ass
- 7 "Snow White" bit into the poisoned apple; and went into a deep sleep
- 8 Surely Tom Thumb would have been unbeatable at limbo (without even limboing)
- 9 see 10
- 15 Not much to say; in line with the Shorty answer above; he lacked height
- 16 Sneezy was one of the Seven Dwarfs who helped Snow White; and she did the housekeeping for them
- 18 "Pinocchio" was a wooden puppet made by Geppetto whose dream of being a real boy eventually comes true
- 20 Vernon and Petunia are reluctant and resentful guardians of "Harry Potter"
- 21 "Earthsea" by Ursula K Le Guin is a seminal series of fantasy novels stepping away from the Tolkien template
- 24 see 15a
- 25 -"You shall go to the ball", the Fairy Godmother says to Cinderella (realising this requires the provision of a good dress)
- 28 Otter is the father of Portly (not surprisingly also an otter) in "The Wind in the Willows"
- 29 Barney tumbles into the den of "Stig of the Dump" whilst on holidays with his grandparents
- 31 "Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats" by T S Eliot features many fine cats including the magnificent Macavity

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