

{AT511} One-Eye, Two-Eyes, Three-Eyes

[F512.1], [F512.2.1.1].

Two-Eyes (or a stepdaughter) is abused by her mother [S12]. She has to act as goatherd and she becomes hungry. A wise old woman [N825.3] provides the maiden with a magic table [D1153] and food [D1031]. The sisters spy upon her [D830.1]. Gold-producing tree from animal's entrails [B100.1], [D1461], [D1470.2.1]. The wonderful tree whose fruit Two-Eyes alone can pluck [D590 - this motif doesn't exist in Motif-Index], [H31.12]. She becomes the wife of a lord [L162]. Cf. Type

For analysis see Type 510: I a; II c, e, f; IV c; V.

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Finnish 16;

Finnish-Swedish 1;

Estonian 10;

Livonian 3;

Lithuanian (*481) 55;

Swedish 18 (Uppsala 1, Stockholm 1, Liungman 2, misc. 14) ;

Danish 4;

Scottish 1

Irish 130, Beal VII 197f. No. 3;

French 21;

Dutch 1;

German: Ranke 16;

Austrian: Haiding No. 50;

Hungarian 3;

Serbocroatian 2;

Polish 8;

Russian: Afanasiev 11;

Greek 3;

India 13.

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Franco-American 2 ;

English-American: Baughman 1;

Spanish-American: Rael No 112 (U.S.);

West Indies (Negro) 2.

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{AT511A} The Little Red Ox.

Gf. Type 302 I*.

I. The Ox Helper. A stepbrother of One-Eye, Two-Eyes and Three-Eyes is cruelly treated by his stepmother and stepsisters. He is assisted by a magic ox which furnishes him food from his removable horn.

II. Spying on the Ox. The stepsisters try to spy on him, but he puts them to sleep except for a single eye. The stepmother feigns illness and demands the meat of the ox.

III. Flight. The ox carries the boy on his horns through woods of copper, silver, and gold, where they pick twigs and must fight successive animal guardians. The ox is eventually killed.

IV. Magic Horn. The boy takes the ox's horn, which furnishes him property and leads to success.

(The tale may lead into Type 590.)

Motifs:

I.

[S31] Cruel stepmother.

[S34] Cruel stepsisters.

[F512.1] One-eyed person.

[F512.2.1.1] Three-eyed person.

[B411.2] Helpful ox.

[D1470.2.3] Horn of plenty.

[B115.1] Ear-cornucopia. Animal furnishes treasure or supplies from its ears (horn).

[B 184.2.3.1] Magic bull to be flayed.

II.

[D830.1] Attempt to learn about magic object by spying.

[D1961] Magic watchful eye remains awake while many other eyes sleep.

[B335.2] Feigned illness to take life of helpful animal.

III.

[B551.1] Man carried on animal's horns.

[F811.1] Trees of extraordinary material (copper, silver, gold).

[C513] Tabu: breaking twig.

[B576] Animal as guard.

IV.

[B505] Magic object received from animals.

[B115] Animal with horns of plenty.

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Icelandic [302 I*] 9;

French (511*) 2;

Hungarian: Honti (535) 4, Berze Nagy (469*, 340*) 23;

Serbo-croatian 2;

Egypt (modern): Artin Pascha 1111;

Gypsy: Groome 203 No. 53;

India 8.

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Franco-American 18; American Indian (Wyandot): Thompson C Coll II 415.

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{AT511A*} The Helpful Cow.

A girl is treated cruelly by an old woman with whom she lives. For lack of food she faints in the stable. When she revives, a cow is licking her face.

The latter tells her to pull off her right horn and she will find whatever she wants. From the horn come many good things to eat. The girl forgets to cut wood and the old woman beats her.

The cow tells her that the old woman is a witch and is going to kill her. The cow carries the girl to an enchanted field guarded by serpents and lions belonging to a fairy.

They pass through it successfully. The next field is much the same but they make noise and are attacked. Both are wounded but they manage to escape.

The cow dies and becomes an angel and flies to Heaven.

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