

Stories About the Stars

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This is a starting point of resources. I hope to track down on-line references so you can read all of these stories. Many of the stories I know are folk tales with no author, and I hope to write up how I tell some of these.

- The Man in the Moon (old English folk tale)
- The Man in the Moon (poem by J. R. R. Tolkien)
- The Children in the Moon (old Scandanavian folk tale)
- The Moon in the Millpond
- Navajo Origin of the Stars
- Cherokee Origin of the Milky Way
- Greek Origin of the Milky Way
- Iroquois Origin of the Pleiades
- Lenape Origin of the Pleiades
- Greek Origin of the Pleiades
- Greek myth of Andromeda (seven constellations in the Fall)
- Greek myth of Orion
- Greek myth of Hercules
- Each planet is named for a Roman deity, which have their own myths
- Some of the dwarf planets, moons, asteroids, and other bodies are named for characters in various mythologies, which have their own myths.
- Greek myth of Eris (ties in to the story of the dwarf planets Pluto and Eris)

Books with star stories

- The Heavenly Zoo: Legends and Tales of the Stars
by Alison Lurie and Monika Beisner