

## Salmon of Knowledge

A great flood covered the earth and only Noah and his family were safe on the ark. Fintan missed the boat was turned into a salmon by God to save him. He swam up the Boyne River when the water receded and found a nice quiet pool. Around the pool were nine hazel trees with one nut each. All nine combined contained the knowledge of the world. As the nuts dropped, Fintan ate them. Whoever could catch and eat Fintan would in turn gain all the knowledge of the world themselves.

Centuries passed and the people of Ireland learned of the Salmon of Knowledge but no one was able to catch him, until one day...

Fionn mac Cumhaill (Finn MacCool) was a legendary hero in Irish mythology. Fionn met a druid and poet near the river Boyne and studied under him. The druid had spent many years trying to catch the Salmon of Knowledge for whoever ate of the salmon would gain all the knowledge in the world. When he finally caught it he had Fionn cook it for him but NOT to eat any of it.

While cooking the salmon, Fionn burned his thumb and instinctively put his thumb in his mouth swallowing a bit of salmon skin and Fionn received all the knowledge in the world.

## Torc Cascades

A man was cursed by the devil to turn into a boar every night. One night, his secret was discovered by a nearby farmer and the boar burst into flames. He flung himself into Devil's Punchbowl Lough to distinguish the flames and the lough overflowed its banks creating Torc Cascades (waterfall) and hiding the boar's cave.

## The Golden Apples of Lough Erne

A prince named Conn-eda is doomed to lose his kingdom and go into exile after losing a chess game to his evil step-mother. The only way out is to go on quest and procure the three golden apples the king of the Firbolg has in the depths of Lough Erne, along with his black stead and super-natural hound. His step-mother is sure he will lose his life trying. He had one year and a day to complete the quest.

But Conn-eda gets help from a druid and a little shaggy horse. He gets direction from a bird, and his shaggy horse, who dies helping him get past dragons in the lake. After Conn-eda follows all the instructions he was given, the little horse comes back to life and turns out to be the Firbolg King's son who is so overjoyed with his son coming back to like, he gives the apples, the black stead, and the hound Conn-eda. Conn-eda is able to return within the allotted time and win back his place in the kingdom.