

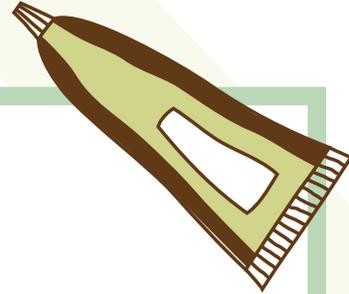


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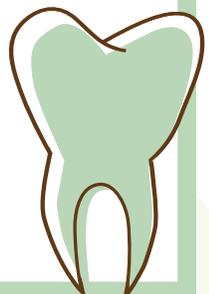
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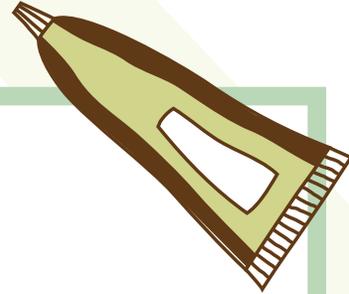


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In *April and Esme, Tooth Fairies*, April is the tooth fairy, assisted by her tooth-fairy-to-be sister. In *Tooth Fairy's First Night*, the fairy is named Sally.

How old is each fairy?

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Whose idea is it for each child fairy to go on her first tooth-collecting visit?

April begs her parents to let her go (they think she's too young). Sally's mom hands her the hereditary tooth purse and tells her it is time for her to fly.

Who goes with the fairies?

April is accompanied by her six-year-old sister, Esme. Sally flies alone.

What do you know about their families?

April has a very warm relationship with her parents (lovingly illustrated by author Bob Graham). Sally has a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, all tooth fairies before her.

Where do they go for their first tooth?

April goes to see Daniel Dangerfield in Parkville. Sally goes to Miranda Kay Michaels.

How do they know where to find the children?

April follows his toys; Sally has a map.

What problems do they encounter?

April's child has put his tooth in a glass of water. Sally's child has left her a series of scavenger hunt notes she must decipher to find the tooth.

Do the children wake when the fairies retrieve the teeth?

April's child does, but April and Esme quickly pull his eyelids down and whisper to him that seeing them is just a dream. Sally holds her breath as the child stirs, but Miranda does not wake.

How does each tooth fairy carry the tooth home?

April's sister helps April carry it home in a string bag. Sally tucks hers into a tooth-shaped purse.

How does each story end?

The next morning, April and Esme fall asleep just as their child is showing the fairy's coin to his grandmother. Sally's child wakes to find a scavenger hunt note from Sally under her pillow.

