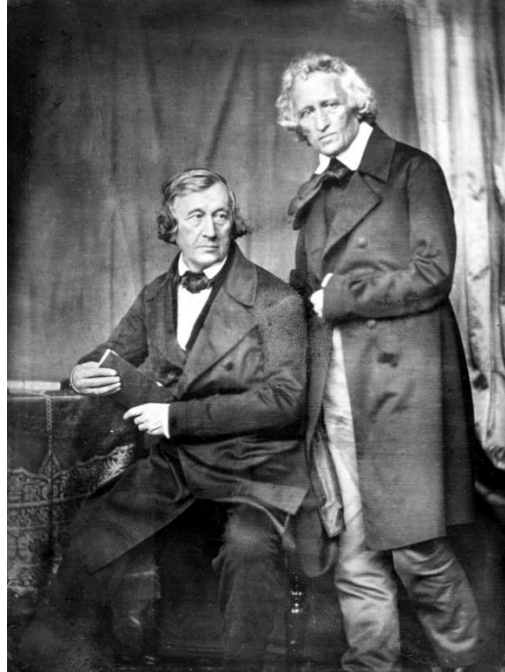


The Grimm Brothers

The Grimm Brothers, Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm, were born in 1785 and 1786 in Hanau. The two brothers had five more siblings.



After their father's death, their mother sent them to Kassel to stay with their aunt Henriette. They attended "Friedrichsgymnasium", a high school that today still exists. Having finished school, both studied law.

In 1806, they started to collect local fairy tales, old stories, that were told by people around Kassel. In 1812, the first edition of "Kinder- und Hausmärchen" (Children's and Home fairy tales) was published.



A few years later, the Grimm Brothers worked at a library. But then they were offered to edit a dictionary. Since that day they collected German words. They got letters with new words from several friends from all over Europe. The edition was a difficult work. It took very long time. Until they died in 1859 (Wilhelm) and 1863 (Jacob) they only reached letter "F". Other scientists finished the dictionary later.

The GRIMM WORLD

The GRIMM WORLD Kassel was built in 2 years and opened on 4th September 2015.



It is a very fantastic museum in our hometown. You can learn many interesting things about the creative life and activities of the Grimm Brothers.

In the GRIMM WORLD Kassel, language, fairy tales and biographical information are presented in 25 areas and for people of all ages.



In one area there are handwritten copies of the 1st edition of "Children and Household Fairy tales". Since 2005 they have belonged to the World Documentary Heritage.

In another area you can find excerpts from the German Dictionary (Deutsches Wörterbuch (DWB)).

It contains over 320.000 keywords.

Finally, some impressions of our home: GRIMM HEIMAT NORDHESSEN and our questions... We hope you like them.



(Sleeping Beauty's Castle: Dornröschenschloß Sababurg)



(Fairy Tale Well: Märchenbrunnen in Wolfhagen)

Questions:

1. What is the woman's name, who told the Grimm Brothers lots of their fairy tales? (1)
2. Write down the titles of four of the most famous fairy tales! (2)
3. Where were Wilhelm and Jacob Grimm buried? (1)
4. How many years did it take to complete the DWB (Deutsches Wörterbuch)? (2)