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Sommario/riassunto	Through an original analysis of its structure and dynamics, the fairy tale ceases to be one of the many genres of fantastic narrative and rises to become a category, a universal modality both of the storytelling and of a world vision. The objective is to render the fairy tale a sort of emblematic location, where the study of narrative texts integrates itself with the socio-historical contexts of the Irish tradition.

