

Planning – Unhappy Endings

Original story ending	Alternative version / unhappy endings
Hansel and Gretel live with their father and evil step mother in a house near the forest.	
They are very poor and the step-mother persuades their father to take the children to the forest and leave them there.	
Hansel sneaks out the house and collects shiny stones.	
When they begin walking to the forest Hansel drops the stones behind him.	
Hansel and Gretel follow the stones to get home.	
The children hear their step-mother and father talking about leaving them in the forest again.	
When Hansel tries to leave the house again to collect more stones, the door is locked and he can't get out.	
The step-mother and father take the children deeper into the woods. Hansel has tried to drop breadcrumbs, but birds have eaten them.	
Hansel and Gretel are lost in the forest. They walk and walk until they reach a gingerbread house.	
The gingerbread house is owned by an evil witch who likes eating children	
Hansel is kept in a cage and the witch tries to fatten him up	She puts Hansel and Gretel both in the cage and tries to fatten them up.
Gretel tricks the witch and pushes her into the oven.	Hansel and Gretel try to think of ways to escape but the cage is locked by magic and they can't get out.
The children take all of the witch's money and treasure. They escape and find their way home	The witch gets the oven ready to cook both Hansel and Gretel.
When they get home, they find out their step mother had died.	

The children and their father live happily ever after!