

Chapter 9. Appendix 1. % of Gaelic Antiquity Texts with a Mythological Theme

Below is a data summary of Chapter 5, Table 6 (p.189) detailing the % of Gaelic Antiquity Texts that contain a mythological theme:

There are a total 43 texts in the 1927 publication *The Saint Columba Readers Junior* book, of which 8 (18.6%) are in the category Gaelic Antiquity. Of these 8 texts, 2 (25%) contain a mythological theme. This is 2 texts out of a total of 43, thus 4.7% of the text content in the 1927 publication carry a mythological theme.¹

There are a total 43 texts in the 1931 publication *Irish Life and Work Readers Junior* book, of which 9 (20.9%) are in the category Gaelic Antiquity. Of these 9 texts, 5 (55%) contain a mythological theme. This is 5 texts out of a total of 43, thus 11.6% of the text content in the 1931 publication carry a mythological theme.²

There are a total 78 texts in the 1936 publication *The Saint Brigid Readers Junior* book, of which 33 (42.3%) are in the category Gaelic Antiquity. Of these 33 texts, 6 (18%) contain a mythological theme. This is 6 texts out of a total of 78, thus 7.7% of the text content in the 1936 publication carry a mythological theme.³

There are a total 49 texts in the 1948 publication *Young Ireland Reader Junior* book, of which 5 (10.2%) are in the category Gaelic Antiquity. Of these 5 texts, 2 (40%) contain a mythological theme. This is 2 texts out of a total of 49, thus 4% of the text content in the 1948 publication carry a mythological theme.⁴

There are a total 63 texts in the 1958 publication *Road to Reading Junior* book, of which 5 (7.9%) are in the category Gaelic Antiquity. Of these 5 texts, 2 (40%) contain a mythological theme. This is 2 texts out of a total of 63, thus 3% of the text content in the 1958 publication carry a mythological theme.⁵

There are a total 65 texts in the 1963 publication *Fact and Fancy Junior* book, of which 5 (7.7%) are in the category Gaelic Antiquity. Of these 5 texts, 2 (40%) contain a mythological theme. This is 2 texts out of a total of 65, thus 3% of the text content in the 1963 publication carry a mythological theme.⁶

There are a total 43 texts in the 1974 publication *Signposts 2 Junior* book, of which 2 (4.7%) are in the category Gaelic Antiquity. These are the only texts in this category and both have a mythological theme, thus 4.7% of the text content in the 1974 publication carry a mythological theme.⁷

$$4.7\% + 11.6\% + 7.7\% + 4\% + 3\% + 3\% + 4.7\% = 38.7\% \div 7 = \mathbf{5.5\%}$$

¹ Chapter 5. Appendix 1. Textbook Contents – 1927

² Chapter 5. Appendix 2. Textbook Contents 1931 & 1936

³ Ibid.

⁴ Chapter 5. Appendix 3. Textbook Contents – 1948

⁵ Chapter 5. Appendix 4. Textbook Contents – 1958

⁶ Chapter 5. Appendix 5. Textbook Contents – 1963

⁷ Chapter 5. Appendix 6. Textbook Contents – 1974