Instructions:

Use the following checklist to determine if your story has the characteristics of a tall tale. Check those statements that apply to your story and write a short explanation for each.

___ The story has many exaggerations in it.

___ The main character has a problem to solve.

___ The main character is bigger than life and has super-human abilities.

___ The plot of the story is funny and impossible.

___ In the end, the main character solves a problem, overcomes an obstacle and/or defeats a “bad guy.”

___ The story includes lots of action.