



From Kalila wa Dimna to La Fontaine

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This timeless literary genre transcends across cultures and centuries, imparting life lessons and values to both adults and children.

From Kalila wa Dimna to La Fontaine traces the fascinating evolution of these fables. They originated in India and Greece, then evolved through influential figures such as Ibn al-Muqaffa' and Aesop, reaching their pinnacle with French fabulist Jean de La Fontaine in the 17th century.

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