

# Pecos Bill

Like many tall tales, Pecos Bill stories involve combinations of super feats of courage and strength (such as riding a tornado whirlwind like a bronco and using a rattlesnake for a lasso).

According to the legend, Pecos Bill was born in Texas in the 1830's. Pecos Bill was traveling in a covered wagon as an infant when he fell out unnoticed by the rest of his family near the Pecos River. He was raised by a pack of coyotes.

He grew up to become a cowboy and has a horse, Lightning (so named, because no other man except Pecos Bill could ride him). It is also said Pecos sometimes rode a mountain lion instead of a horse.



1. Pecos Bill used a \_\_\_\_\_ as a lasso.
2. He rode a \_\_\_\_\_ whirlwind.
3. He was raised by \_\_\_\_\_.
4. He sometimes rode a \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Why was his horse named Lightning? \_\_\_\_\_