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The science of Folk-lore is the comparison and identification of the survivals of archaic beliefs, customs, and traditions in modern ages.

Under this general term are included Folk-tales; Hero-tales; Traditional Ballads and Songs; Palace Legends and Traditions; Goblindom; Witch-craft; Leechcraft; Superstitions connected with material things; Local Customs; Festival Customs; Ceremonial Customs; Games; Jingles; Nursery Rhymes; Riddles, etc.; Proverbs; Old Saws, rhymed and unrhymed; Nicknames; Place-rhymes and Sayings; Folk-etymology.

-Definition of the Folk-lore Society of England.

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