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**Păcală - An Approximate Biography and an Exemplary Destiny**

**Summary**

Păcală, the popular hero story, and then of the cults, is a character able to arouse laughter, making fun of the others, but also being capable of monstrosities and absurdities. The texts of the folk stories offer a very interesting biography for Păcală, a biography that has many elements from the popular. His quality of “man in the world” is realized through „the encounter of the other”, with Tândală. Păcală is not to be met only in the popular stories but he is also present among us, as an exponent, as a feature of the Roumanian people.

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