Comparing Tales

Element	Momotaro	The Tongue-Cut Sparrow	The Crane Wife
Antagonist (bad guy)			The husband when he peeked in the room
Protagonist (the good guy)	Momotaro		
What was the problem?		The old woman cut the sparrow's tongue because she hated his singing	
Lesson of the story	Protect and care for your elders		
Magic or fantasy objects or events			The crane becomes a woman

Sparrow	the ogre Oni	the village is being attacked	Keep your promises
Crane	the old woman	Don't be greedy	the woman wants privacy to weave
The boy is born from a peach		the sparrow has a house and a family	