GOLDILOCKS AND THE THREE BEARS

as retold by Professor Pen

Once upon a time there were three bears: Papa Bear, Mama Bear, and Baby Bear. They lived in a quaint little cottage in the middle of the forest. One beautiful spring morning, the bears sat down to eat their porridge. "It's too hot!" squealed Baby Bear.

"Ouch! This porridge needs to cool off a bit," agreed Papa Bear.

______, the three bears decided to go for a stroll in the woods while their porridge cooled. ______, a curious little girl named Goldilocks was out walking in the woods. She saw the bears' cute little house and couldn't resist meeting its occupants. She went straight to the door and knocked. No one answered.

So Goldilocks went right in!

Goldilocks saw the three bowls of porridge and decided to have a taste.

_____, she took a taste from the great big bowl.

"Too hot," she cried.

Next, she tried the middle-sized bowl. "Too cold!", she said.

_____, she had a taste from the wee little bowl. "Yum! Just right!" she said, and ate every last bit of Baby Bear's porridge.

After she had eaten, Goldilocks saw three chairs. She sat down in the great big Papa Bear chair. "Too hard!" she thought.

______, she tried the middle sized chair. "Too soft!" she said, sinking into the chair. Finally, she tried the little chair. _____, when Goldilocks sat down, the chair collapsed into pieces.

_____, Goldilocks was starting to get very sleepy. She climbed up the stairs and found three beds. First, she tried the great big Papa Bear bed. "Too hard!"

Next, she tried the middle-sized bed. "Too soft!"

Then, she tried the little Baby Bear bed. "Just right!" She fell fast asleep.

When the three bears came back from their walk in the woods, they were in for a big surprise. Papa Bear said in his great big voice, "Someone's been eating my porridge!"

Mama Bear said in her middle-sized voice, "Someone's been eating my porridge!"

Then Baby Bear said in his tiny little voice, "Someone's been eating my porridge—and now it's all gone!"

Papa Bear went into the living room. He said in his great big voice, "Someone's been sitting in my chair!

Mama Bear said, in her middle-sized voice, "Someone's been sitting in my chair!"

Baby Bear said in his tiny little voice, "Someone's been sitting my my chair and broke it to pieces!"

Then they went upstairs.

"Someone's been sleeping in my bed!" said Papa Bear in his great big voice. "Someone's been sleeping in my bed!" said Mama Bear in her middle-sized voice.

"Someone's been sleeping in my bed, and there she is!" cried Baby Bear in his tiny little voice.

_____, Goldilocks woke up. She ran out of the cute little house as fast as she could, never to return.

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