

Goldilocks!

The Adventures of a Porridge Thief

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Once upon a time, there was a little girl called Goldilocks. On the day our story begins, she had fibbed to her Mum about attending school and had gone for a walk in the woods instead. She came across a lovely, neat little house and, being the curious type, decided to see who was home.

The owners of the cottage were a family of bears. They had gone for a stroll that morning, as the porridge that Mummy Bear had made for Daddy Bear and Baby Bear was far too hot to eat, so they thought they would leave it for a short while to cool down. Porridge was their favourite, always made in their magic pot!

In their absence, Goldilocks explored their home. She ate some of their porridge, sat in their chairs, and fell asleep in the smallest bed in the house. When the bears returned, they noticed that someone had been in their home and couldn't believe it when they discovered Goldilocks in Baby Bears' bed!

After a lot of screaming and rushing around, Goldilocks grabbed the magic porridge pot and ran off into the woods. Mummy and Daddy Bear decided it was time to tell Baby Bear all about her 'coming of age' quest and told her to head out into the woods, find Goldilocks, retrieve the porridge pot and secure her status as a "grown up bear".

She headed off, full of pride and feeling excited about her quest.

Goldilocks headed straight back to her house in the forest, where she lived with her parents and her family. Her Mum was Dame Washalot, from the Faraway Tree stories. She had 12 brothers and sisters, who included Cinderella, Elsa & Anna and The Gingerbread Man. They had four pet dinosaurs, a Velociraptor, Triceratops, Stegosaurus and Parasaurolophus.

The family ALL, much like almost everyone that he ever met, wanted to eat the Gingerbread Man brother. When Goldilocks arrived back at her house, her Mum was the only one there, as the rest of the family had gone down to the swamp to chill out. Mum was washing, as usual. When Goldilocks chatted to her Mum and told her all about how she had got hold of the porridge pot, her Mum was absolutely furious and immediately threw the porridge pot in the bin. Suddenly, as they were still arguing, a huge crocodile appeared out of nowhere and ate them both up!

Meanwhile, Baby Bear had been following a trail of porridge all the way back to Goldilocks house. When she arrived, the crocodile had just left and was heading down to the swamp to relax. Baby Bear searched for the stolen porridge pot and found it in the bin. She also decided to take a chair from the house, to make up for the one of hers that Goldilocks broke. She was just about to head off when the bin men arrived. Baby Bear was hungry and cooked up some porridge to munch. It looked very appealing to the bin men but when they asked if they could have some, Baby Bear shouted "No"!!! The bin men were very angry so threw Baby Bear and the pot in the back of their bin truck, before driving back to bin man mansion, which was just near the swamp that Goldilocks family were relaxing in.

Just as the bin men arrived back at bin man mansion, the Gingerbread Man brother ran away! He ran straight to bin man mansion as he wanted to be recycled. Everyone else jumped out of the swamp and took chase, including the crocodile, who still had Goldilocks and Mrs Washalot in its' tummy! The Gingerbread Man brother had thrown himself into the back of the bin men truck and been crushed into crumbs but then the crumbs fell into the magic porridge pot and turned him into Super Gingerbread Man! He shouted at all of the other characters, "Here's Baby Bear" and everyone was very surprised but also wondered where Goldilocks and her Mum were.....

The crocodile, amazingly still hungry, then gobbled up the rest of Goldilocks family. All except for Super Gingerbread Man! The Super Gingerbread Man, sick of so many years of everyone trying to eat him, decides to get his revenge by eating everyone but, as soon as he had, he got a wriggling and a tickling in his tummy and they all burst straight back out of him!

The four dinosaurs were still really angry about what crocodile did and threw him in the back of the bin men lorry, where he was crushed and squashed and chopped to pieces. In the middle of all this extraordinary chaos, Baby Bear grabbed the porridge pot out of the bin man truck and headed off home, where they feasted on porridge, congratulated Baby Bear on succeeding in her quest to become a grown up bear and all lived Happily Ever After.....