



The Desperate Mother Bear

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The three bears chased the little girl down the stairs and out into the garden, but she was too fast for them and they watched her disappear into the distance. As the shock wore off the three bears turned and went back in doors, only mother bear lingered a little longer, staring at the path that the little girl had taken, a tear forming in the corner of her eye. The longing that she had felt for another child crept back into her heart. When she had first seen the little girl with the golden hair lying fast asleep on her sons bed she had known then that she wanted to keep her. Sighing she turned her thoughts to clearing up the mess that had been made. She wondered why the little girl had been trespassing in their house at all.

Meanwhile the blonde little girl who was known as Goldilocks, had ran all the way back to her house, the fear inside of her evaporating as she got nearer. Except then she remembered the reason for entering the bear's house in the first place, she had been trying to escape from her stepmother, why had her father married the woman in the first place, she could never understand. She was the most conceited unbearable person that she had ever met. The little girl had tried her best to get along with her if only for her father's sake, but as much as she tried to be nice to her and her half-sisters, who really were quite ugly, they just treated her with contempt. Only this morning her stepmother had demanded that she clean the scullery floor.

Of course things had not gone as planned, instead of cleaning the floor she had ended up playing with the three little pigs that had been born that morning. She had completely forgotten about the scullery floor and when her step mother had returned she had been so angry and had wanted to lock her away in the cupboard under the stairs yet again, Goldilocks had made her escape, ending up deep into the woods, she had come across her friends Hansel and Gretel but they had problems of their own and she had not wanted to burden them with her problems, so she had continued on and found a beautiful cottage, she just had to see what was inside.

Mother bear settled baby bear down for the night and went to find Daddy bear. She had made her mind up and nothing was going to stop her. Daddy bear was in the shed putting the finishing touches on the broken chair. He looked weary and for a second mother bear had reservations, but no she pulled herself upright and told him in no uncertain terms that she wanted the blonde little girl to come and live with them. Daddy bear had expected so much and was ready with his answer. 'Of course my dear, anything for you, you have been patient for so long and I am so proud of you. I will find her and bring her here, but only if she really wants to come'.

The next day Daddy bear kept his promise and travelled the kingdom in search of the little blonde girl. He eventually found her living with her father and step mother and the ugliest sisters he had ever seen. Of course the little girl who was called Goldilocks was only too pleased to leave her stepmother and life happily ever after with the three bears. So you see fairy stories really do have a happy ending.