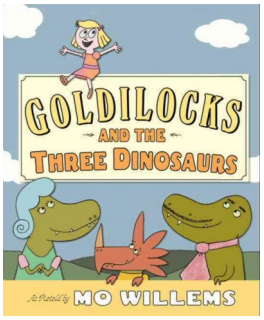
Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs



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The versatile Mo Willems, author and illustrator of popular picture books about the much loved *Knuffle Bunny*, the demanding Pigeon, and Early Readers featuring good friends Elephant and Piggie, has unleashed his creative humor into the realm of classic folk tales. *Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs* as retold by Willems, follows the basic plot of the familiar story featuring the three bears and an adventurous blond haired girl. But instead of porridge, the dinosaurs are preparing bowls of delicious chocolate pudding at varying temperatures. They seem to be setting a trap for an "unsuspecting kid" as they loudly announce their departure for "someplace else" -- not necessarily a walk in the woods.

Before long a "poorly supervised little girl named Goldlilocks" appears on the scene. She barges into the house, tastes the pudding and attempts to sit on some chairs. But they are all too tall -- as are the beds. Perplexed, Goldilocks soon realizes she is not in the home of the three bears and makes a hasty escape out the back door. Willems concludes with two morals to the story -- a practical one from the dinosaurs' perspective: Lock the back door! And a more existential moral for all: "If you ever find yourself in the wrong story, leave."

For another fun twist on the Goldilocks tale, be sure to see the new picture book: *Goldilocks and Just One Bear*, which reunites a grown up Goldilocks and Little Bear. Both stories recommended for ages 3 and up. But, of course, the humor is best appreciated by those already familiar with the original tale of *The Three Bears*.

Oh, the Thinks You Can Think Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs Humor Picture Book

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