# partner reading 

PRACTICE THE DRAMA SKILLS OF VOCAL ABILITY AND TEAMWORK WITH THE THREE BEARS PARTNERED READ-ALOUD!

## How-to:

- Find a partner who can read-maybe a parent or a sibling.
- Print the Three Bears script (below) or have it up on a screen.
- Choose your roles. One partner will read the red Goldilocks lines, the other partner will read the purple Baby Bear lines. Read the blue lines at the end in unison
- Read the script through at least three times.
- $1^{\text {st }}$ time: Get familiar with the story.
- $2^{\text {nd }}$ time: Get familiar with the rhythm and rhyme, try to reduce pauses between lines!
- $3^{\text {rd }}$ time: Play with your voice! Think about changing your volume and speed, maybe try a character voice!
- Add actions, movement, and simple props or costumes, then perform for someone else


## THE STANDARDS

UT DRAMA K/1/2/3.T.P 5:
USE VOICE TO COMMUNICATE
MEANING THROUGH VOLUME, pitch, tone, rate, clarity.

UT DRAMA K/1/2/3.T.CR.4
DEFINE ROLES AND
RESPONSIBILIES AND PARTICIPATE IN GROUP DECISION MAKING.


## The Three Bears

I'm Goldilocks.
I'm Baby Bear.
What pretty fur!
What pretty hair!
Why are you here?
You're in my bed.
I'm in your bed?
That's what I said.
Why are you here?
I lost my way.
I found your house
And thought I'd stay.


And then you ate My porridge up
And drank my milk Right from my cup.

Why, yes, I did.
You weren't there
And I was hungry,


Baby Bear.
Well, now I'm very Hungry, too.

Oh, goodness me!
What shall we do?
Where do you live?
Not very far.
A mile or two
From where we are.


## I know the forest

Very well.
I'll take you home.
I'll trace your smell.
Why, Baby Bear, You're very smart!

Get out of bed
And then we'll start.


When I get home,
Here's what I'll do:
I'll make some porridge
Just for you.
Will you add honey For a treat?
(That's my favorite
Thing to eat.)
I'll add some honey


If you wish.
(You can even
Lick the dish.)
Yummy yum!
I love to lick!
What comes next?
I'll let you pick.
I pick a picture book
To share.
Why, that is perfect,
Baby Bear!
The Three Bears is
The one we'll do!
You'll read to me!
I'll read to you!

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