



# Goldilocks & The Three Bears

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**Goldilocks and the 3 Bears.**  
**(The Pantomime)**

<u>Characters</u>	<i>(Suggested Male/Female roles in brackets)</i>
Goldilocks	<i>(Female. Central character)</i>
Aunty Prudence	<i>(Dame 1, Male. Aunty of Goldilocks typical dame role, ridiculous outfits)</i>
Aunty Paulina	<i>(Dame 2, Male. Aunty of Goldilocks typical dame role, ridiculous outfits)</i>
Bashful Billy	<i>(Male/Female. In love with Goldilocks)</i>
Daddy Bear	<i>(Male. Typical bickering married couple)</i>
Mummy Bear	<i>(Female. Typical bickering married couple)</i>
Baby Bear	<i>(Male/Female. Small part best suited to a younger cast member)</i>
Woodland Fairy	<i>(Female. Typical fairy part)</i>
Magnificent Zorand	<i>(Male. Villian of the panto, predominantly wears ringmaster outfit, has a cane)</i>
Jolly the Jester	<i>(Female. Sarcastic henchman of Zorand dressed in harlequin jester costume or similar)</i>
Mayor of Carnivale	<i>(Male/Female)</i>
Twitchers: Norman Warbler	<i>(Male/Female. Unlucky encounters with dames, over the top birdwatching clothes)</i>
Twitchers: Stanley Beaks	<i>(Male/Female. Unlucky encounters with dames, over the top birdwatching clothes)</i>
<u>Chorus</u>	
Villagers	<i>(Some have small speaking parts)</i>
Animals	<i>(Various small speaking parts)</i>
Circus (Dancers)	
Chefs	<i>(Dancers)</i>
Spice girls	<i>(Dancers, some small speaking bits)</i>

**Act 1**

Prologue:	Front of Tabs [F.O.T] (Trees to give indication of forest)
Scene 1:	Carnivale (Tabs displaying houses made of sweets, freestanding market stalls, circus tent drawn on back wall)
Scene 2:	FOT (Trees to give indication of forest)
Scene 3:	Lake scene (Tabs, backdrop to indicate proximity to a lake)
Scene 4:	FOT (Trees to give indication of forest)
Scene 5:	Cottage (Table with three chairs, bowls on table)
Scene 6:	FOT (Trees to give indication of forest)
Scene 7:	Messy scene cottage. (Table with cloth over, mixing bowl, variety of props)
Scene 8:	FOT (Trees to give indication of forest)

**Act 2**

Scene 1:	Circus (Tabs, backdrop showing inside of a circus tent, with a waist height low wall across back section)
Scene 2:	FOT (Trees to give indication of forest)
Scene 3:	Circus (Tabs, backdrop showing inside of a circus tent, no low wall)
Scene 4:	FOT (Trees to give indication of forest)
Scene 5:	Carnivale (Tabs displaying houses made of sweets, markets stalls, circus tent drawn on back wall)
Community Song:	FOT (Trees to give indication of forest)
Walkdown:	Carnivale (Tabs displaying houses made of sweets, circus tent drawn on back wall, <u>no</u> freestanding market stalls)

**Act 1****Prologue (F.O.T: Forest)**

*Zorand Enters to classic villain music.*

**Zorand:** Mwah ha ha ha ha! Oh I do love the sound of a big boo! Go on keep it going, let's see what you've got! Is that it? What a pathetic lot you are!  
I was always told we can be anything we want to be... and it's obvious to see you all clearly chose disappointment.

Enough with your measly attempts to boo me! You are in the presence of the great Magnificent Zorand! Oh yes you are!

**Audience:** Oh no we're not!

*Business with the audience*

**Zorand:** Enough! Many fear me and you should too, for I am the most ruthless Ringmaster that ever did exist! And I own the greatest circus in town.  
Even though my circus is the best I want more! More power, more money, more fame, mwah ha ha! That's why I am on the hunt for a new act, a cute and fluffy baby bear! That's right! Boo all you like, because that certainly won't stop me!

I hear there is a family of bears that live in the woods near this here town of Carnivale, my evilly genius plan is to capture Baby Bear and make them perform in my circus mwahhhh hhaaaa haaa! Audiences will flock from miles to see my show. Making me the richest Ringmaster there ever was! Mwahhhh hhaaaa haaa I'll be richer than Elon Musk. *(any well-off personality)*

*Fairy enters to music effect.*

**Fairy:** Oi you hold it right there!  
There's no way I will let you take Baby Bear!

**Zorand:** And who do we have here? Stinkerbell!  
Be gone as you are wasting my time and invading my personal space.

**Fairy:** I am the fairy of the wood,  
I use my magical powers for good,  
I protect the animals big and small,  
So your evil plan I must stall.

**Zorand:** Oh so we are doing the rhyming thing are we? How quaint! Not!  
If you think you can stop me, you must be nearly as stupid as that lot out there and believe me that's saying something.  
However, I do have a rhyme for you.  
Roses are red, violets are blue.  
A face like yours, belongs in a zoo!  
Mwahhhh hhhhaaaa!

**Zorand exits.**

**Fairy:**

Boys and girls and grown-ups too,  
if you see Zorand again be sure to boo  
He's the baddest villain there has ever been,  
he really is that evil and mean.  
But do not worry we will do all we can,  
to keep Baby Bear safe, we just need a plan.

I know someone who can help us do just that,  
let's just hope she's not too busy on Snapchat!  
So let us continue on with our tale,  
with a trip to Carnivale.

It's a day of excitement as always in town.  
Let's take you there, so I can go lie down.

*Fairy waves wand at curtain, **tinkle sound effect**, curtains open.*

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**Act 1 Scene 1 (Carnivale)**

**Opening Song 'Happy uplifting song' village scene**

*Dance routine*

*Goldie arrives from between audience, (if possible), stopping to various people and saying hello. She joins in with the others towards the end of the dance.*

- Aunty Prudence:** Oh, Goldie there you are, something terrible has happened.
- Aunty Paulina:** Oh yes it's a catastrophe!
- Goldie:** Hello Aunty Prudence, Aunty Paulina whatever has happened?
- Aunty Prudence:** Oh, it's tragic! It's more tragic than Beyonce winning the Grammy for best country album. *(Or similar event)*
- Aunty Paulina:** And as shocking as Ethel's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party at the village hall, remember the cake with all those candles.
- Aunty Prudence:** Oh, I do yes!
- Aunty Paulina:** Just as she was about to blow them all out that Trevor Trump strolled past and broke wind casual as you like!
- Aunty Prudence:** It was like a flamethrower going off!
- Aunty Paulina:** I never knew the elderly could be that nimble! Flo did the splits and poor Betty bent over backwards so far she could put her hands on the floor.
- Aunty Prudence:** She hasn't been able to pull off that position for quite some years!
- Aunty Paulina:** Of course poor Ethel was far too close. Lost both her eyebrows and her best wig!
- Aunty Prudence:** You did some quick thinking if I remember pretending to pass out! That kind, handsome young man spent two minutes giving you mouth to mouth until he realised you were just holding your breath!
- Aunty Paulina:** A girl has to take every opportunity!
- Everyone:** Get on with it!
- Aunty Prudence:** Oh yes what was I saying... Goldie something terrible has happened.
- Villager:** It can't be as bad as when Aunty Prue ate those flaming hot nuggets
- Aunty Prudence:** Who knew they would be just as hot going out as they were going in.
- Villager:** Or the time everything got stolen from the Auntie's bakery.
- Villager:** Crumbs!

- Aunty Paulina:** Yes those too.
- Villager:** And don't forget the time when those laxatives got mixed in with Aunty Paulina's cookies at the school sports day.
- Villager:** Yes, it's the only 100 metre parents race I've ever seen where people were still accelerating after the finish line!
- Goldie:** Carry on Aunties!
- Aunty Prudence:** Oh Goldie, It's my buns.
- Aunty Paulina:** You've never seen buns looking like this.
- Dames:** Look! (*Prudence holds up two buns of a suggestive nature*)
- Goldie:** Oh dear.
- Aunty Prudence:** They are an embarrassment!
- Aunty Paulina:** Nearly as embarrassing as when Old Morris entered that spotted dick competition without bringing a pudding!
- Goldie:** Oh Auntie's I really think you need something to keep you out of trouble like a new hobby or.....
- Dames:** A man.
- Villager:** Quick hide!
- Villager:** Leave while you still can!
- Dames:** Too late we've seeeeennnnn yooooouuuu stay where you areeeeeeeeee!
- Aunty Prudence:** Oh Paulina look at this one... you are my type on paper!
- Aunty Paulina:** Oh I'm catching vibes off this Bev right here.
- Aunty Prudence:** Just remember don't go grafting all factor 50 this time,
- Goldie:** Oh no, this is no good! I think they've been watching too much Love Island again.
- Aunty Prudence:** Oh I found one, hello handsome what's your name... Ohhh Paulina look, and his name is... (*Selected audience members name*) ... you look like you've been plucked from a dream.
- Goldie:** And he's landed in a nightmare!
- Aunty Paulina:** Ooooo let me see! Oh I say... (*Selected audience members name*) ... you're a bit of a babe aren't you, you're a right bit of me!
- Aunty Prudence:** Hands off I found him first!

- Aunty Paulina:** Well, he's not going to fancy you, I mean look at you, I've seen salads better dressed!
- Aunty Prudence:** Cheek! Well at least I don't look like a before picture!  
Just look at... (audience members name) ... he's gazing at me with such a look in his eyes.
- Aunty Paulina:** Yes, I can see it clearly, it says "why me!"
- Aunty Prudence:** Rude. Maybe we should just let... (audience members name) ... decide!
- Goldie:** I think we should just leave... (audience members name) .... alone. Come back here right now the pair of you.
- Dames:** Ooooo!
- Aunty Prudence:** Don't worry ... (audience members name) ... I'll be back!
- Aunty Paulina:** And I'll be front!
- Enter Billy from upstage, to upbeat music, dames exit downstage.*
- Billy:** Hello Goldie.
- Goldie:** Hello Billy
- Billy:** Hello everyone
- Everyone:** Hello Billy
- Billy addresses audience*
- Billy:** Hello boys and girls! Hello grownups!
- Boys and girls, the grownups were so much louder, we can't have that can we? Let's try again, hello boys and girls, that's better!
- My name is Bashful Billy and I'm Goldie's BFF. Do you want to know why they call me Bashful Billy? Do you? Well, you see it's cos every time I like a girl I get all shy. It's true. I go all clammy, and I'm like ventriloquist's dummy without the ventriloquist.
- I know we've just met but can I tell you a secret? OK well you see I'm in love with Goldie, (*Audience awwww*)
- I know right, but every time I go to tell her I get all embarrassed and well, shy! I think she's the most beautiful girl in the whole wide world! But I just can't bring myself to tell her!
- I have an idea will you all help me tell Goldie? Will you? Will you be in my gang and anytime I say "I think I'm going to tell her gang" You shout "Go on Billy tell her!" and then hopefully that will give me the confidence to finally tell her how I feel! Do you think you can do that? Let's practice! "I think I'm going to tell her gang" Brilliant, let's try this side "I think I'm going to tell her gang", now this side "I think I'm going to tell her gang" Now one last time all together "I think I'm going to tell her gang" Thanks gang I think that will really help.

- Goldie:** Tell me what?
- Billy:** Oh nothing! Hey Goldie, what's going on with your aunts?
- Goldilocks:** Oh the usual! On the prowl for poor unsuspecting victims, I mean men.
- Billy:** So Goldie erm. I think this is it gang... "I think I'm going to tell her gang".
- Audience:** Go on Billy tell her.
- Billy:** Goldie... *(Said at the same time by Billy and Fairy as she comes on stage without music this time)*
- Fairy:** Goldilocks, why there you are,  
I've been searching for you near and far.  
I need your help, Baby Bear is in trouble,  
we need to start quick at the double.
- Billy:** If you can wait just one second, I was kinda...
- Goldilocks:** Fairy of the woods what do you mean?
- Fairy:** Goldie it's worse than you would ever believe,  
For bad news you are about to receive.  
  
That evil Zorand is back in town,  
With a plan to make Baby Bear a clown.  
Into the woods you must go,  
Of this plan the bears must know.  
  
Careful as if Zorand hears he will be after you,  
But take this and don't worry as Billy is going too.  
*(Hands over a Box 'Fairy nav')*
- Billy:** Wait? What? Sorry? What did you just say?
- Goldilocks:** Well what are we waiting for? Billy you are coming with me aren't you!?
- Billy:** Of course I'd do anything for you.
- Goldie:** Right then everyone, off we go!

*(All leave stage except fairy)*

*(Dames appear one at a time focusing only on selected audience member)*

- Aunt Prudence:** Ohhhh yooooo hoooooo... *(Selected audience members name) ...*

**SFX: Suggestive song**

I'm back and I have something for you! *(brings on a single red rose which is passed down to audience member)*

**Aunty Paulina:** Ohhhh... (*Selected audience members name*) ....

**SFX: Suggestive song**

I've got a bigger one than that! (*brings on a bigger rose passed down to same audience member*)

**Aunty Prudence:** Where's everyone gone?

**Aunty Paulina:** They must have felt the ground vibrating and thought a T-Rex was coming.

**Aunty Prudence:** The cheek! Looks like it's just you and us... (*audience members name*) ... no need to look so scared we don't bite.

**Aunty Paulina:** Speak for yourself!

**Fairy:** Hum hum

**Aunty Prudence:** Oh look it's a Fairy,

**Aunty Paulina:** Like on the washing up bottle, but all grown up.

**Fairy:** You asked where everyone had gone,  
So listen up so you can go along.  
Goldie is off to save a bear,  
Through the woods she goes to get there.

**Aunty Prudence:** Gone to save a bear, oooooo it might be that dishy Bear Grylls.

**Aunty Paulina:** Oh yes, I wouldn't mind being the victim on his bear hunt.

**Aunty Prudence:** We must catch her up, we can't let Goldie have all the fun with Bear!

*Dames leave in a hurry with cries of Bear, Bear*

**Fairy:** Off on their adventure they all go  
Hopefully they won't be too slow.  
So now its back over to you  
Here comes Zorand so make sure you boo.

*Fairy exits curtains close.*

**Act 1 Scene 2 (F.O.T Forest)**

*Zorand enters to villain music.*

**Zorand:** Mwahhh haad hhha Yes it's me again, your favourite Ringmaster!  
I see you are still attempting the booing thing are you, go on let's see if you've got any better, nope you are still rubbish! Oh yes you are!

**Audience:** Oh no we are not!

**Zorand:** Oh yes you are!

**Audience:** Oh no we are not!

**Zorand:** Are, are, are!

**Audience:** Not, not, not!

**Zorand:** Oh shut up! You are bringing me as much joy as a wet sock. It's going to be a long show if this is as good as you get.

*Jolly enters.*

**Jolly:** Ah there you are Boss

**Zorand:** Yes. Where else was I meant to be, what do you want?

**Jolly:** Well I was just passing through Carnivale and you know that fairy you had a run in with? Well she's told Goldilocks your plan and, now she's off to save Baby Bear.

**Zorand:** That interfering, failed, tooth fairy! Oh I will shove her at the top of the next Christmas tree I can find!

**Jolly:** To be fair I thought you may have learnt your lesson from the last time you tried working with animals. If you remember.  
The elephants packed their trunks and left,  
The monkeys trooped off,  
And whatever pride we had, left when the lions did!

**Zorand:** Enough with your jibber jabber! I'm trying to think!

**Jolly:** Is that what that burning smell is!

**Zorand:** Silence! Jolly you know what this means!?

**Jolly:** Nope what?

**Zorand:** You know, we will have to do the thing, with the thing.

**Jolly:** What thing?

**Zorand:** You know the thingggg.

**Jolly:** No I don't know the thinnngggg

**Zorand:** The thing!! (really bad winking)

**Jolly:** Are you OK?

**Zorand:** You really are an idiot aren't you! I don't know why I bother! A piece of advice for you Jolly, sometimes it is better to keep your mouth shut and let people think you are stupid rather than open it and confirm their suspicions! Come! We have a bear to capture! Mwahhhh hhhaaa hhhhaaa

*Zorand and Jolly leave stage*

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**Act 1 Scene 3 (Lake)**

*Fairy is behind curtains as they open, has fairy music.*

**Fairy:** Goldie and Billy are making their way to the wood.  
But somehow, they're lost, this is not good!  
Don't worry, I have a plan to help them on their way,  
I wave my wand and woodlands animals come to save the day.

***Fairy wave wand to tinkle sfx and exits.***

*(Animals appear at rear of stage as Goldie and Billy enter at front. Goldie and Billy don't notice them)*

**Goldie:** It's no good Billy I think we are lost. We'll never find the bear's cottage this way it's hopeless.

**Billy:** Don't be silly Goldie maybe the trees are interfering with the signal on the sat nav the fairy gave us? We just.....

***SFX: You have reached your destination!***

**Billy:** Err OK! So don't panic but I think we just maybe might have taken a wrong turn somewhere... maybe a couple of times.

**Goldie:** Oh Billy! What are we going to do now?

**Billy:** Don't be sad Goldie, we will find the cottage, won't we gang? See they think we can, and my gang are never wrong! Plus me and you, well we always work well as a team.

**Goldie:** Oh Billy I'm so glad you are here what would I do without you.

**Billy:** I think I'm going to tell her gang...

**Audience:** Go on Billy tell her

**Billy:** Goldie...

*Animals have been creeping forward during discussion then interrupt Billy.*

**Animal:** Are you OK?

**Billy:** Really! Again!

**Animal:** Why are you sad?

**Goldie:** Oh it's terrible we are meant to be on our way to help the bears, and we have lost our way.

**Animal:** The three bears who live in the cottage in the woods?

**Goldie:** Yes those bears.

- Billy:** Well obviously it's those bears what other bears would it be?
- Animal:** Actually, there are more bears.
- Animal:** Yes, you have Pooh who lives down in the hundred-acre part of the woods
- Animal:** Then there's Paddington's holiday home in that direction.
- Animal:** Then there's Yogi and Boo-Boo
- Animal:** Oh yes, they are partial to a picnic in the woods
- Animal:** Yes, and don't forget Baloo, he's always up to mischief
- Animal:** Oh yes and Rupert, Fozzie, Little John, Sooty
- Animal:** And all those annoying care bears.
- Billy:** Ok, yep, I think I got it now, glad we clarified that otherwise it could have been a very different show.
- Goldie:** You see the evil Zorand is trying to catch Baby Bear.
- Animals:** Oh no!
- Animal:** Not the evil Zorand!
- Animal:** I've heard he's scarier than Donald Trump!
- Animal:** And he voted Anne Robinson off her own show as the weakest link!
- Animal:** Yeah! And when it was his staffs' party he promised them an evening of entertainment and luxury... they ended up in ... *(Local area which is seen as run down)*
- Animal:** That's why none of the animals will be part of his circus.
- Animal:** We can help you find the cottage though.
- Goldie:** Really?
- Animal:** Yes, we know the woods like the back of our paws, come with us and we will take you to the cottage.

*All Exit.*

*Twitchers enter after others off stage (identically dressed with binoculars)*

- Norman:** Now slowly does it, if we are going to catch sight of the Elusive Yellowhammer we must be very still.
- Stanley:** Oh look Norman it's a pair of bearded tits.

*Dames enter one at a time to their own songs. Both are wrapped in long cloaks.*

**Aunty Prudence:** Ohh... (Audience members name) ...

**SFX: Suggestive song**

I have something for you! (*brings on a box of chocolates*)

(*Chocolates passed back to selected audience member*)

**Aunty Paulina:** Ohhhhhh... (Audience members name) ...

**SFX: Suggestive song**

But mine is bigger! (*Brings on a bigger box of chocolates*)

(*Chocolates passed back to selected audience member*)

**Aunty Prudence:** This is all your fault!

**Aunty Paulina:** Mine?! You were the one who heard those lumberjacks and ran off to find them! Mind you they didn't half pick up the pace when they saw you coming. I never knew a man could run so fast carrying such a great big chopper!

*Dames notice birdwatchers who are looking at them in shock.*

**Aunty Prudence:** Ohhhh hello, who are you?

**Norman:** We are Norman Warbler

**Stanley:** and Stanley Beaks

**Norman:** We are part of the Birds Of The Trees Or Meadows Society, or BOTTOMS for short.

**Aunty Paulina:** Bottoms?!

**Norman:** Well it was either that or the Birds Of Land Lake Or Carnivale Kindred Spirits, but we thought that was a bit of a mouthful.

**Stanley:** We are out here looking for a very rare lesser spotted woodpecker.

**Aunty Prudence:** I don't think I've come across that particular type of pecker before.

**Stanley:** If you don't mind could you just move that way a little you're blocking the view.

**Aunty Paulina:** How rude! I'll give you something to view.

**Norman:** What are a beautiful pair! (Nudges other twitcher) Wow look, sitting right there in plain sight, two abreast just over there, on the fence the goldfinches. Sorry, so tell us what are a beautiful pair of ladies such as yourselves doing out here all alone?

**Aunty Paulina:** Did you hear that Prudence? Beautiful! We might be in here!

**Aunty Prudence:** We are rather beautiful aren't we?

**Audience:** Oh no you're not!

*Business with audience*

**Dames:** *(Selected audience members name)* ... Oh yes we are aren't we!?

**Aunty Prudence:** Not only are we beautiful we are very talented.

**Aunty Paulina:** What you don't know is that contrary to popular belief cooking's not our only talent.

**Aunty Prudence:** Oh yes... *(Audience name)* ... we have many hidden talents.

**Aunty Paulina:** Very well hidden.

**Aunty Prudence:** We used to be in a girl band I'll have you know.

**Aunty Paulina:** Yes, we were in original line up of the Spice Girls, we were Hot Spice and Saucy Spice. We were too good for the band, I think they were jealous of all the attention we were getting, so they kicked us out.

**Aunty Prudence:** So we formed our own group we called ourselves "The Herb Girls".

*(Other dancers come on stage from rear dressed as baby, posh and sporty spice, at least one of each, can be two of each)*

**Aunty Paulina:** Now ... *(audience members name)* ... I know what you are thinking. What a catch! How do I recouple with such visions of beauty?

**Aunty Prudence:** Why have mutton! When you can have prime lamb steak.

**Aunty Paulina:** I think Prudence the time has finally come to for us to show everyone our talents, let's go "Herb Girls".

*Dames drop cloaks to reveal one dressed in iconic union jack dress one in a leopard print body suit*

### **Suggested song "A Girl Band song"**

*Dance routine.*

*Near the end of the routine the twitchers, who have been standing off to one side, are dragged in to the routine and end up in the centre by the dames.*

**Aunty Prudence:** I know, you are now thinking wow...

**Aunty Paulina:** What a sight.

**Herb girl chorus member:** Yeah for sore eyes...

**Aunty Paulina:** That's big coming from you, weren't you the one whose microphone was usually turned down!?

**Aunty Prudence:** Hmmm I can see why! Off you go you lot you are cramping our style, especially you Grandma Spice. (*Grandma spice line should be aimed at a specific person*) So where were we, oh yes you were saying how beautiful we were.

**Norman:** Erm well he was brought up to be very polite err...

**Aunty Paulina:** (*Selected audience members name*)... don't watch you might get jealous, carry on.

**Stanley:** Ermmmmmmm.

*Norman looks desperately behind dames.*

**Norman:** Look a bear.

**Aunty Prudence:** Oh yes it's probably Bear Grylls, that's who we are looking for. Which way did he go?

**Norman:** I'm not sure he went so fast I barely saw him.

**Aunty Paulina:** Don't worry I can track a hot man down faster than Superman can put his pants on the outside of his trousers.

**Aunty Prudence:** That's right lassie go do your stuff! Bye!

*Dames leave.*

**Norman:** Quick lets get out of here before they realise there is no bear!

*Twitchers leave by different exit.*

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**Act 1 Scene 4 (F.O.T Forest)**

*Fairy Enters to fairy music.*

**Fairy:** Goldie and Billy have nearly made it to the bear's home,  
I wish it was good news, but they aren't alone.  
Zorand and Jolly have followed them there,  
Still intent on catching Baby Bear.  
I hope they manage to reach them in time,  
Because then everything will be just fine.

*Fairy exits.*

*Zorand Enters to villain music.*

**Zorand:** Mwha ha ha yes that fairy is right I have followed that hideous girl all the way to the cottage! Soon Baby Bear will be mine and they led me straight to him! Now where is that useless jester of mine... Jolly!

**Jolly:** Sorry coming!

*Jolly Enters proudly Carrying two bushes.*

**Zorand:** What on earth do you have there?

**Jolly:** I've bought the bare necessities!

**Zorand:** There better not be a song coming on!

**Jolly:** No fear of that Boss, not with their copyright laws!

**Zorand:** So what are these bare necessities?

**Jolly:** Bushes.

*Jolly brandishes bushes and passes one to Zorand.*

**Zorand:** And why may I ask do you have a pair of bushes?

*Asked whilst inspecting bush dubiously.*

**Jolly:** Have you not heard that old saying? To get a bear in the hand you need two in a bush!

**Zorand:** I think you've had too much custard poured into your ears!

**Jolly:** You see it's the element of surprise.

**Zorand:** You're going to have to give me more than that.

**Jolly:** Well, you said I had to come up with an idea to capture Baby Bear, so I thought bushes.

**Zorand:** You are making as much sense as a puzzle with the wrong lid.

**Jolly:** Bear with me... get it bear... no?

**Zorand:** I envy anyone who has not met you!

**Jolly:** Well listen, I thought we just hide out here in the woods and as Baby Bear passes we pounce, no one will suspect a thing, here look.....*(they both become bushes.)*

*Daddy Bear enters stage walks by with a newspaper directs his lines to off stage.*

**Daddy Bear:** No I can't wait until we are home!  
Well where do you think the saying comes from!  
Look I'll be back in a jiffy.

*Bushes move as Daddy Bear walks across stage. He looks at them, they stop he shakes his head carries on walking, they follow him again as he leaves.*

**Jolly:** See I told you it would work.

**Zorand:** Maybe just maybe on this one singular occasion you might be on to something, so we just wait.

*A Random animal comes on stage from the direction daddy bear left and Jolly's bush moves and follows it ready to pounce. Jolly jumps out behind animal then quickly hides behind bush again. Unseen by animal.*

**Zorand:** What are you doing?

**Jolly:** Sorry I thought it was the little bear; quick it's the big bear.

*Daddy Bear crosses back, repeat of the bush routine.*

**Daddy Bear:** Told you I'd be quick.

*Line delivered to off stage as Daddy Bear is about halfway across stage.  
Daddy bear leaves*

*Zorand sniffs dramatically*

**Zorand:** What is that smell?

**Jolly:** It wasn't me; it smells like...

**Zorand:** I know what it smells like! Let's get out of here I knew I shouldn't have trusted you and your ridiculous ideas. Let's leave the evil plotting to me!

*Both leave stage.*

*Zorand leaves first striding off carrying bush.  
Jolly goes off next still pretending to be a bush.*

**Act 1 Scene 5 (The cottage)**

*Curtains open just enough to show a door in-between curtains.*

**Sfx: Sat nav: Bear (left or right depending on which side duo come on from) you have reached your destination.**

- Goldie:** Thank you for coming with me Billy you really are my BFF and I wouldn't want to be saving bears with anyone else.
- Billy:** I think I'm going to tell her gang!
- Audience:** Go on Billy! Tell her!
- Billy:** Goldie...
- Goldie:** Billy...
- Billy:** I think...
- Goldie:** I know what you are going to say and I'm thinking the same thing.
- Billy:** Really!
- Goldie:** Yes! I think this must be the cottage too! That's what you were going to say wasn't it?
- Billy responds in a deflated manner.*
- Billy:** Yes, I was going to say... Look there's the cottage, but you beat me to it.
- Goldie:** Oh Billy great minds, we are just like two peas in a pod! Come on let's see if the bears are in so we can warn them.
- SFX: Knock on door.**  
**SFX: Knocks again on door.**
- Goldie:** Hmmmm no answer shall we just go in?
- Billy:** I'm not sure, but I don't think knocking on the door is working.
- Goldie goes up to door again and appears to push a button.*
- SFX: Ding dong**
- Billy looks at Goldie shakes head.*
- Goldie:** Come on Billy I'm sure it will be okay.
- Billy:** Hold on I'll ask my gang, do you think we should go in? Are you sure?
- Goldie:** See they said yes, and you did say your gang is never wrong!  
Come on Billy let's go in.

*Door moved off by hidden stage crew member as curtain is opened.  
(Table with three chairs, three porridge bowls behind door, typical kitchen scene  
Baby Bears chair is set up so it can collapse)*

**Goldie:** Hello! Daddy Bear, Mummy Bear, are you here?

**Billy:** No sign let's just go!

**Goldie:** What's that smell?

**Billy:** Sorry I'm really nervous.

**Goldie:** Not that smell, no it smells like porridge! Look over there on the table!

**Billy:** Goldie I really don't think we should... Oh dear too late.

*Goldie tries all the porridge.*

**Goldie:** Yuck this one is too cold! let me try this one, ewww no that one is too hot!  
How about this one, hmmmmm, just right! Yummy!

**Billy:** Goldie you've eaten it all!

**Goldie:** I'm sure they won't mind! We're here to help after all! Let's sit down and wait for them. Gosh this chair is far too hard, I'll sit here instead, no there's something not right about this one it's too soft, oooo this one looks just right!

*As Goldie is about to sit down Billy says their line*

**Billy:** I wouldn't sit on that one Goldie, you know we've just had Christmas and I'm sure that chair... too late

*Chair collapses*

**Goldie:** Ouch!

**Billy:** That will be all those mince pies.

**Goldie:** Oh Billy you are cheeky! (*Helps her up*) You always make me smile.

**Billy:** Thanks!... I think I'm going to tell her gang!

**Audience:** Go on Billy tell her.

**Billy:** Goldie... (***Interrupted by sfx of crunching in the undergrowth or similar***)  
Quick Goldie hide! It might be Zorand.

*Goldie hides behind table and Billy tries to replicate the shape of the broken chair.*

*Bears enter stage bickering like a married couple. Daddy bear becoming more exasperated as conversation continues.*

**Daddy Bear:** That is the last time I listen to you for directions.

- Mummy Bear:** I said left. Not my fault you walked past the turning.
- Daddy Bear:** No. I turned left at the big Oak like you said.
- Mummy Bear:** No, I said turn left at the big Oak with green leaves. You never listen to me!
- Daddy Bear:** All the Oaks have green leaves! Besides if you knew we'd gone wrong why didn't you say anything?
- Mummy Bear:** Oh like you ever listen to me.
- Daddy Bear throws hands up in the air*
- Baby Bear:** Stop! The door is open!
- Daddy Bear:** Stand back family I will go in first.
- Mummy bear shoves daddy bear aside.*
- Mummy Bear:** Don't be so ridiculous we both know you're a big scaredy bear I'll go first.
- They go into the cottage.*
- Billy:** Goldie pssst Goldie pssst.
- Goldie:** What?
- Billy:** I really need a wee.
- Goldie:** Shhhhhh! Just stay there.
- Baby Bear:** Who said that?
- Daddy Bear:** Someone's eaten a spoonful of my porridge but left the rest. Ha that will be your cooking.
- Mummy Bear:** Excuse me!
- Baby Bear:** Mine is all gone!
- Baby Bear goes to mummy bear for a comforting hug.*
- Mummy Bear:** At least someone appreciates my cooking efforts.
- Daddy Bear:** Who would do such a thing?
- Mummy Bear:** Its OK Baby Bear I'll make you some more.
- Baby bear walks away, goes to their chair.*
- Baby Bear:** Ok

*(goes to sit on Billy)*

**Baby Bear/Billy:** Aghhhhhhhhh (*said at same time*)

**Billy:** Don't move I've been trained in the art of Feng Shui (*OTT Karate sequence.*)

**Goldie:** Billy stop!

**Mummy Bear:** Goldie is that you?

**Goldie:** It is yes! I'm sorry we didn't mean to frighten you, we are here to help you,

**Daddy Bear:** Why do you need to help us?

**Goldie:** Zorand's circus is back in town and he is planning on bear-napping Baby Bear, to make them into the main attraction! We came straight away to warn you.

**Baby Bear:** I don't want to be bear-napped!

**Mummy Bear:** Don't worry little one that won't happen! I told you he was trouble when I saw him, you didn't believe me.

**Daddy Bear:** I thought you were just mis-singing Taylor Swift lyrics out loud like you normally do "I knew you were trouble..."

**Mummy Bear:** Will you stop before you crack all the windows in the cottage!

**Baby Bear:** I'm scared!

**Mummy Bear:** Don't worry Baby Bear. Let's go to our secret cave we need to think of a way to keep you safe without anyone hearing our plan, everyone stay close.

(*Tabs close*)

*Zorand enters to villain music. Jolly enters unseen behind him with two water pistols.*

**Zorand:** I thought I heard someone straggling a cat! Oh my mistake it was you pitiful lot, you still here are you, that's a shame! Go on! Carry on! I've got all the time in the world. I've been wondering, you down there, (*picks a member of the audience*) what look were you aiming for this evening? (*afternoon?*) Because whatever it was you missed!

Jolly where are you? (*hasn't seen him*)

**Jolly:** Right here no need to shout!

*Zorand turns slightly startled.*

**Zorand:** Seeing as your bush was an absolute disaster!

**Jolly:** Woah woah that's no way to talk about my bush! I actually thought it was a great idea and would definitely have worked if it hadn't of been for that big bear having a big...

- Zorand:** Quiet! It's okay Jolly there's need to be ashamed, that's your parents' job!  
We will just have to capture Baby Bear my way!  
Time to set up our bear trap. Have you got the you know what?
- Jolly:** The you know what?
- Zorand:** Yes the you know, the you know what!
- Jolly:** I know the you know what but, do you know what the you know what is?
- Zorand:** Shut up!
- Jolly:** Has anyone told you, that you are like a cloud, when you disappear it's a beautiful day
- Zorand:** Don't push me!
- Jolly pushes Zorand, pause, comic looks.*
- Zorand:** Are you quite finished?
- Jolly:** Nope.
- Pushes him again.*
- Zorand:** I'm warning you! Get on with it!
- Jolly:** OK, I've filled these pistols up with a special honey flavoured sleep potion, we should be able to catch Baby Bear easily if we spray them with the potion. Like this.
- Jolly looks curious and sprays Zorand.*
- Zorand:** What did you do that for you fool!
- Jolly:** Just seeing if it worked!
- Zorand:** Well obviously it wouldn't work on me I'm not a bear am I? You clown!
- Jolly:** Jester!
- Zorand:** What!
- Jolly:** Jester! I've done my level 4 clowning course so I'm more qualified than a clown...
- Zorand:** Does this face look like someone who cares?
- Jolly:** No actually it looks like a face that would make an onion cry.
- Zorand:** Just get on with it!!
- Jolly:** Well we do need to see if these work.
- Zorand:** Try pointing it out that way, some of that lot look hairy enough they could be bears.