

The State of Western Australia

v

Goldie LOCKS

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CAST

Title	Name/Role	Costume
JUDGE		Black gown, jabot
JUDGE'S ASSOCIATE		Black gown, jabot
USHER		
ACCUSED	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Goldie Locks	
SECURITY OFFICER		
STATE COUNSEL		Black gown, jabot
DEFENCE COUNSEL		Black gown, jabot
WITNESSES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior Sergeant Snooper• Momma Bear• Poppa Bear	Assorted costumes
JURY		
FOREPERSON		
SHERIFF'S OFFICER		

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(Usher knocks on door and walks to bench)

USHER

Silence in court. All stand.

(Everyone in court stands)

This Honourable Court is now in session.

(Judge enters and walks to chair)

(Judge bows)

(Everybody else bows)

(Judge sits)

USHER

Please be seated.

(Everyone in court sits)

JUDGE

Please read the charge to the Accused.

ASSOCIATE

(Stands and faces dock) Put up Goldie Locks.

(Goldie Locks stands)

(Security stands)

ASSOCIATE

Are you Goldie Locks?

GOLDIE LOCKS

Yes.

ASSOCIATE

The State of Western Australia against Goldie Locks. Goldie Locks you are charged that on 20 January you entered the place of another person without their permission and committed the offence of stealing.

How do you plead Goldie Locks? Guilty or Not Guilty?

GOLDIE LOCKS

Not Guilty.

(Goldie Locks sits)

(Security sits)

(Associate sits)

JUDGE

(Looks to the lawyers)

JUDGE I will now take appearances.

STATE *(Stands and faces Judge)* May it please the court, my name is (your name) and I represent the State in this matter.

(Sits)

DEFENCE *(Stands and faces Judge)* May it please the court, my name is (your name) and I represent Goldie Locks.

(Sits)

JUDGE *(Looks to State)* The State may give its opening address to the jury.

STATE *(Stands and faces Jury)*

Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, on 20 January Momma Bear got up early and made three steaming bowls of porridge. The bowls of porridge were made for Poppa Bear, Momma Bear and Baby Bear for breakfast. The porridge was too hot for the Three Bears to eat so they decided to go for a walk in the forest.

The State will prove that while the Bears were walking in the forest, Goldie Locks went into the Three Bears' cottage, uninvited, and ate all of Baby Bear's porridge.

After eating Baby Bear's porridge, Goldie Locks then went upstairs and fell asleep in Baby Bear's bed. When the Three Bears got home they found her in Baby Bear's bed.

The State says this proves to you beyond a real doubt that Goldie Locks entered the Three Bears' cottage without their permission AND when Goldie Locks ate the whole bowl of Baby Bear's porridge, she took it and was never going to give it back. This, ladies and gentlemen of the jury, means that she stole Baby Bear's porridge.

(Sits)

JUDGE *(Looks to Defence)* The Defence may give its opening address to the jury.

DEFENCE *(Stands and faces Jury)*

Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, the Defence says that Goldie Locks had met the Three Bears before this incident and she had visited their cottage before. You will also hear that, in the past, Baby Bear had asked Goldie Locks to come to the Three Bears' cottage for porridge.

The Defence says that the door to the Three Bears' cottage was left open. When Goldie Locks got to the cottage she thought it would be

DEFENCE okay for her to go inside, especially after Baby Bear had asked her over in the past.

After going inside the cottage Goldie Locks smelled the porridge and became very hungry. Goldie Locks hadn't had much to eat that day because her parents didn't have much money. It was a very hard time for Goldie Locks and her family. Without even thinking Goldie Locks tasted the bowls of porridge and, before she knew it, she had eaten one whole bowl.

Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, Goldie Locks knows she shouldn't have eaten Baby Bear's bowl of porridge and she is very sorry for doing that, but she says she is not guilty of stealing.

(Sits)

JUDGE *(Looks to State)* The State may call its first witness.

STATE *(Stands and faces Judge)* The State calls Charlie Snooper.

(Sits)

(Usher stands and walks to where witnesses are sitting)

(Usher calls Witness)

USHER Charlie Snooper.

SNOOPER *(Snooper stands and follows Usher to witness stand)*

(Snooper remains standing in witness stand)

(Usher stands next to witness stand)

ASSOCIATE *(Stands and faces Witness)* Please tell the court your full name.

SNOOPER Charlie Snooper.

ASSOCIATE Please read out loud the affirmation.

SNOOPER I sincerely declare and affirm that the evidence I will give in this case will be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

ASSOCIATE Please be seated.

(Associate sits)

(Witness sits)

(Usher sits)

STATE	<i>(Stands and faces Witness)</i>
	Please tell the Court your full name, your police rank and where you are currently working.
SNOOPER	My name is Charlie Snooper and I am the Senior Sergeant at the Forest Grove Police Station.
STATE	Could you please tell the court what happened on the 20 January?
SNOOPER	I was patrolling the forest as usual when I saw a young girl running very fast. She had golden hair, she looked very frightened and kept looking over her shoulder like someone was chasing after her.
	I ran after her but tripped and fell flat on my face into the mud. At the same time I heard screams coming from the cottage. Momma Bear was shouting at me, "Get out of the mud and catch her!"
STATE:	And did you catch the girl?
SNOOPER	After a long chase through the forest, I finally caught her.
STATE	And who was that girl?
SNOOPER	It was Goldie Locks.
STATE	What happened next?
SNOOPER	I took Goldie Locks back to the Three Bears' cottage.
STATE	What did you see at the cottage?
SNOOPER	I saw an empty bowl, a broken chair and crumpled sheets on the beds.
STATE	Did you question Goldie Locks?
SNOOPER	Yes I did. I asked her where she had been. I also told her that I was looking for someone who had gone into the Three Bears' cottage without their permission and broke the law.
STATE	What did she say?
SNOOPER	Nothing but her name, date of birth and address.
STATE	What happened next?
SNOOPER	I arrested Goldie Locks and charged her at the Police Station.
STATE	<i>(Faces Judge)</i> I have no more questions, Your Honour.

STATE	<i>(Sits)</i>
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to Defence)</i> Does the Defence have any questions for this witness?
DEFENCE	<i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> Yes, Your Honour. <i>(Faces Witness)</i> Sergeant Snooper, at the cottage, did it look like someone had broken in, did you see anything like broken locks or shattered glass?
SNOOPER	No, I didn't.
DEFENCE	It is possible, from what you saw, that the door could have been open all the time?
SNOOPER	Yes, it is possible.
DEFENCE	I have no more questions, Your Honour. <i>(Sits)</i>
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to State)</i> Does the State have any further questions for this witness?
STATE	<i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> No, Your Honour. <i>(Sits)</i>
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to Witness)</i> Thank you, Sergeant Snooper, that is the end of your evidence and you are free to leave. (Snooper stands and leaves court room)
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to State)</i> You may call your next witness.
STATE	<i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> The State calls Momma Bear. <i>(Sits)</i> <i>(Usher stands and walks to where witnesses are sitting)</i> <i>(Usher calls Witness)</i>
USHER	Momma Bear. <i>(Momma Bear stands and follows Usher to witness stand)</i> <i>(Momma Bear remains standing in witness stand)</i>

USHER	<i>(Usher stands next to witness stand)</i>
ASSOCIATE	<i>(Stands and faces Witness)</i> Please tell the court your full name.
MOMMA BEAR	Momma Bear.
ASSOCIATE	Please read out loud the affirmation.
MOMMA BEAR	I sincerely declare and affirm that the evidence I will give in this case will be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.
ASSOCIATE	Please be seated. <i>(Associate sits)</i> <i>(Momma Bear sits)</i> <i>(Usher sits)</i>
STATE	<i>(Stands and faces Witness)</i> Please tell the Court where you live.
MOMMA BEAR	I live in a little cottage in Forest Grove.
STATE	Who else lives in the house with you?
MOMMA BEAR	My husband, Poppa Bear, and our little Baby Bear.
STATE	On the morning of 20 January, did you make breakfast for your family?
MOMMA BEAR	Yes, I did. I always make breakfast. Poppa Bear and Baby Bear like porridge, I made porridge that day. I sprinkled the porridge with honey, a pinch of cinnamon and two tablespoons of raisins. Poppa Bear really likes the raisins.
STATE	After you made the porridge, what did you do?
MOMMA BEAR	I called Poppa Bear and Baby Bear to come downstairs for breakfast. I really didn't have to call them as the smell from the porridge meant they came downstairs quickly. We all sat down at the table. Baby Bear said that the porridge was too hot, so we decided to go for little walk in the forest and let the porridge cool. When we left the cottage, I asked Baby Bear to lock the door.
STATE	When you got back from your walk, what did you find?
MOMMA BEAR	Well, the door was open.
STATE	What did you see when you went inside?

MOMMA BEAR	One of the bowls of porridge was empty. Baby Bear's chair was broken.
STATE	What did you do then?
MOMMA BEAR	I went upstairs to the bedroom and found Goldie Locks sleeping in Baby Bear's bed.
STATE	Then what happened?
MOMMA BEAR	She jumped out of bed and raced out of the cottage.
STATE	Did you chase her?
MOMMA BEAR	Yes I did, but she was too fast. Then I saw Sergeant Snooper outside so I called out to him to catch her.
STATE	Did you tell Goldie Locks that she could go inside your cottage that day?
MOMMA BEAR	No, I did not.
STATE	And did you tell Goldie Locks that she could eat baby Bear's porridge?
MOMMA BEAR	No, most certainly not.
STATE	<i>(Faces Judge)</i> I have no more questions, Your Honour. <i>(Sits)</i>
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to Defence)</i> Does the Defence have any questions for this witness?
DEFENCE	<i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> Yes, Your Honour. <i>(Faces Witness)</i> Momma Bear, you said you found Goldie Locks in your cottage when you returned from the walk.
MOMMA BEAR	Yes.
DEFENCE	Goldie Locks had been to your cottage to visit before, hadn't she?
MOMMA BEAR	Yes, several times. Baby Bear and Goldie Locks were friends from school and Goldie Locks had come to play at our cottage quite a few times.
DEFENCE	So, Baby Bear and Goldie Locks were friends and she had played with Baby Bear at your cottage quite a few times before this incident, is that correct?

MOMMA BEAR	Yes.
DEFENCE	What do you think of Goldie Locks before this incident?
MOMMA BEAR	I thought she was a nice girl.
DEFENCE	Before the incident, you made Goldie Locks feel welcome in your cottage when she visited, is that correct?
MOMMA BEAR	Yes, of course. I always make visitors feel welcome.
DEFENCE	You say you told Baby Bear to lock the door when you left the cottage.
MOMMA BEAR	Yes, that's right.
DEFENCE	Are you sure that Baby Bear locked the door?
MOMMA BEAR	Baby Bear always does what I say, so, yes, I am sure Baby Bear locked the door.
DEFENCE	Sergeant Snooper says there was no damage to the cottage at all. None of the windows or doors were broken. What do you say?
MOMMA BEAR	I tell you the door was locked and the windows were closed!
DEFENCE	<i>(Faces Judge)</i> I have no more questions, Your Honour. <i>(Sits)</i>
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to State)</i> Does the State have any further questions for this witness?
STATE	<i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> Yes, Your Honour. <i>(Faces Witness)</i> Momma Bear, are you quite sure Baby Bear locked the door?
MOMMA BEAR	Yes, I am.
STATE	When you returned from your walk, who did you chase out of the house?
MOMMA BEAR	Goldie Locks.
STATE	<i>(Faces Judge)</i> I have no more questions, Your Honour. <i>(Sits)</i>
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to Witness)</i> Thank you, Momma Bear, that is the end of your evidence and you are free to leave.

MOMMA BEAR	<i>(Momma Bear stands and leaves court room)</i>
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to State)</i> You may call your next witness.
STATE	<i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> I call Poppa Bear. <i>(Sits)</i> <i>(Usher stands and walks to where witnesses are sitting)</i> <i>(Usher calls Witness)</i>
USHER	Poppa Bear. <i>(Poppa Bear stands and follows Usher to witness stand)</i> <i>(Poppa Bear remains standing in witness stand)</i> <i>(Usher stands next to witness stand)</i>
ASSOCIATE	<i>(Stands and faces Witness)</i> Please tell the court your full name.
POPPA BEAR	Poppa Bear.
ASSOCIATE	Please read out loud the affirmation.
POPPA BEAR	I sincerely declare and affirm that the evidence I will give in this case will be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.
ASSOCIATE	Please be seated. <i>(Associate sits)</i> <i>(Poppa Bear sits)</i> <i>(Usher sits)</i>
STATE	<i>(Stands and faces Witness)</i> How long were you out walking on the 20 January?
POPPA BEAR	At least half an hour. Momma Bear said we needed a long walk.
STATE	When you got home, what did you see?
POPPA BEAR	Well, first I saw that the door was open. I had told Baby Bear to close it several times, but I guess Baby Bear forgot again. I said to myself, I'm going to have to speak to Baby Bear about forgetting to close the door.
STATE	Did you see anything else that was different?

POPPA BEAR	Yes. I saw that some of my porridge and Momma’s porridge had been eaten, but Baby Bear’s porridge bowl was empty.
STATE	After you discovered that some of your porridge had been eaten what did you do?
POPPA BEAR	Well, I was getting suspicious, so I went upstairs. Momma Bear came upstairs too.
STATE	What did you see upstairs?
POPPA BEAR	I saw that my bed had been messed up.
STATE	Did you say anything?
POPPA BEAR	Yes, I growled. “Somebody’s been sleeping in my bed!”
STATE	Did you see anybody sleeping in your bed?
POPPA BEAR	No, I didn’t.
STATE	And what happened next?
POPPA BEAR	Then I heard Momma Bear growl “Somebody’s been sleeping in my bed!” And then I saw a girl with golden hair running down the stairs and out of the cottage.
STATE	Did you know the girl that you saw running down the stairs and out of your house?
POPPA BEAR	Yes, it was Goldie Locks.
STATE	Poppa Bear, just to be clear, did you tell Goldie Locks that she could go inside your cottage that morning?
POPPA BEAR	No.
STATE	And did you tell Goldie Locks that she could eat Baby Bear’s porridge on that day?
POPPA BEAR	No, I did not.
STATE	<i>(Faces Judge)</i> I have no more questions, Your Honour. <i>(Sits)</i>
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to Defence)</i> Does the Defence have any questions for this witness?

DEFENCE	<p><i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> Yes, Your Honour.</p> <p><i>(Faces Witness)</i> Did you see whether the door lock had been broken or whether the window had been broken?</p>
POPPA BEAR	<p>No, nothing was broken. They didn't have to break-in because the door was open.</p>
DEFENCE	<p><i>(Faces Judge)</i> I have no more questions Your Honour.</p> <p><i>(Sits)</i></p>
JUDGE	<p><i>(Looks to State)</i> Does the State have any further questions for this witness?</p>
STATE	<p><i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> No, Your Honour.</p>
JUDGE	<p><i>(Looks to Witness)</i> Thank you, Poppa Bear. That is the end of your evidence and you are free to leave.</p> <p><i>(Poppa Bear stands and leaves court room)</i></p>
STATE	<p><i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> That closes the case for the State, Your Honour.</p> <p><i>(Sits)</i></p>
JUDGE	<p><i>(Looks to Defence)</i> Does the Defence wish to present any evidence?</p>
DEFENCE	<p><i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> Yes, thank you, Your Honour. The Defence calls Goldie Locks.</p> <p><i>(Sits)</i></p> <p><i>(Usher stands and walks to dock)</i></p> <p><i>(Usher calls Witness)</i></p>
USHER	<p>Goldie Locks.</p> <p><i>(Goldie Locks and Security stand and follow Usher to witness stand)</i></p> <p><i>(Goldie Locks remains standing in witness stand)</i></p>
SECURITY	<p><i>(Security stands outside witness stand)</i></p> <p><i>(Usher gets Bible from Associate)</i></p>
ASSOCIATE	<p><i>(Stands and faces Witness)</i> Please tell the court your full name.</p>

GOLDIE LOCKS	Goldie Locks.
ASSOCIATE	Please take the Bible in your right hand and read out loud the oath. <i>(Usher passes Bible to Witness)</i>
GOLDIE LOCKS	<i>(Takes Bible and holds it in right hand)</i> I swear by Almighty God that the evidence I will give in this case will be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. <i>(Passes Bible to Usher)</i> <i>(Usher takes Bible from Witness)</i>
ASSOCIATE	Please be seated. <i>(Associate sits)</i> <i>(Goldie Locks sits)</i> <i>(Security sits)</i> <i>(Usher returns Bible to Associate and sits)</i>
DEFENCE	<i>(Stands and faces Witness)</i> Is your house near the Three Bears' cottage?
GOLDIE LOCKS	Yes.
DEFENCE	Do you sometimes play with Baby Bear?
GOLDIE LOCKS	Oh yes. Baby Bear and I see each other a lot at school and in the forest. Baby Bear and I go to the same school: Bottlebrush Primary School.
DEFENCE	Goldie Locks, were you out walking in the forest on 20 January?
GOLDIE LOCKS	Yes, I was. I was out picking flowers in the forest early that morning. I like to go out early in the morning because that's when I see the most bunny rabbits and sometimes I even see a deer.
DEFENCE	And, as you were walking in the forest, what did you smell?
GOLDIE LOCKS	I smelt the yummiest porridge coming from the Three Bears' cottage. I had not had breakfast that morning. Sometimes we have breakfast at our house and sometimes we don't...
DEFENCE	And why is that Goldie Locks?

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- GOLDIE LOCKS** Well, we don't have much money because both my dad and my mum lost their jobs about one year ago. Hopefully they'll get new jobs soon and then everything will be better.
- DEFENCE** What did you do after smelling the porridge?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** The door to the Three Bears' cottage was open and I knocked on the door a few times, but nobody answered. I called out but no one answered.
- DEFENCE** Did you go inside the cottage?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** Yes, I did. I thought it was OK for me to go inside because the Three Bears have always been very friendly to me. I followed my nose right to the kitchen thinking that they were having breakfast. I was going to say hello to them. On the table I saw three bowls of porridge.
- DEFENCE** When you saw the three bowls of porridge, what did you do?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** I couldn't help myself because I was so hungry. I tasted some porridge from Poppa Bear's great big bowl. It was too hot! Then I tasted the porridge in Momma Bear's medium sized bowl, but it was too cold. Then I tasted some porridge in Baby Bear's bowl and it was just right. I was so hungry that, before I knew it, I had eaten all of Baby Bear's porridge.
- DEFENCE** Were the Three Bears in the cottage while you were eating the porridge?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** No, but I thought they must be nearby. To be honest, I felt a bit bad after eating Baby Bear's porridge so I decided to wait for them to get home.
- DEFENCE** What did you do next?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** Well, I went into the living room to wait for the Three Bears so I could tell them what happened and say sorry. I had some problems with the chairs in the living room so I went upstairs. I started to feel very tired and I must have fallen asleep on Baby Bear's bed.
- DEFENCE** What do you remember next?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** I remember hearing Poppa Bear. He sounded very angry and he shouted, "Somebody's been sleeping in my bed!" Then I heard Momma Bear shout, "Somebody's been sleeping in my bed!" She sounded very angry too. I was so frightened when I heard how angry they both sounded. I got up and ran out of the cottage.
- DEFENCE** Did you mean to upset anybody?

- GOLDIE LOCKS** Oh no! I knew Baby Bear lived there. I had also met Momma Bear and Poppa Bear before and I thought I was welcome at their home.
- When I saw the door wide open I really thought the Three Bears were home. That's why I went inside the cottage.
- In the past Baby Bear has asked me to come over and have porridge with them anytime. I didn't mean to cause any trouble.
- DEFENCE** You say that Baby Bear had asked you before to come over and have porridge with them anytime, is that correct?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** Yes.
- DEFENCE** And did you think that you could go over to Baby Bear's cottage at anytime to have porridge with them?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** Well, Baby Bear said anytime, so I guess I thought it meant I could go around to the cottage whenever I wanted.
- DEFENCE** Did you think that you needed to be asked by Baby Bear to have porridge with them on a particular day?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** No, because Baby Bear said I could come around anytime I thought that I could go around to Baby Bear's cottage and have porridge at any time I wanted.
- DEFENCE** Thank you, Goldie Locks.
- (Faces Judge)** I don't have any more questions, Your Honour.
- (Sits)**
- JUDGE** **(Looks to State)** Does the State have any questions for this witness?
- STATE** **(Stands and faces Judge and says sharply)** Yes, Your Honour.
- (Faces Witness)** Goldie Locks, when you knocked on the door no one came to the door did they?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** No.
- STATE** But you still went inside. Why?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** Because I thought Baby Bear was inside and I thought the Three Bears were home.
- STATE** You have told the court that you called out and no one replied. Is that right?

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- GOLDIE LOCKS** Yes. I called out and no one answered.
- STATE** When you heard no answer, why did you still go inside?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** I smelled the porridge and thought the Three Bears must have been in the kitchen having breakfast. I just thought the Three Bears didn't hear my knock and my calls.
- STATE** I think that you went inside the Three Bears' cottage and ate the porridge without permission. I think that you knew very well that the Three Bears were not inside the cottage.
- GOLDIE LOCKS** No, that's not true. I really thought the Three Bears were at home when I went inside.
- STATE** Did anyone say that you could eat the Three Bears' porridge?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** No, but in the past Baby Bear had said I could come over for breakfast anytime.
- STATE** You knew Baby Bear's invitation to visit did not mean that you could break in and eat their porridge.
- GOLDIE LOCKS** But I didn't break in to the cottage.
- STATE** Goldie Locks, why did you run away from Poppa Bear and Momma Bear?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** Because I was frightened.
- STATE** You were frightened because you knew you would get into trouble if they found out you had eaten Baby Bear's porridge and gone inside the Three Bear's cottage without their permission, isn't that so?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** No, that's not true. I didn't even think about that. I was frightened because Poppa Bear and Momma Bear sounded so angry.
- STATE** *(Faces Judge)* No further questions, Your Honour.
- (Sits)*
- JUDGE** *(Looks to Defence)* Do you wish to re-examine?
- DEFENCE** *(Stands and faces Judge)* Yes, Your Honour.
- (Faces Witness)* Goldie Locks, how did you get inside the cottage?
- GOLDIE LOCKS** After knocking on the door, I walked in through the front door which was left open.

DEFENCE	Why did you walk in through the door like that?
GOLDIE LOCKS	Well, I was friends with Baby Bear and had been to the Three Bears' house many times before. I thought the open door meant the Three Bears were at home and hadn't heard me.
DEFENCE	Can you remember when Baby Bear said that you could come over for breakfast anytime?
GOLDIE LOCKS	Not exactly, but I think it was about four weeks before all this happened.
DEFENCE	<i>(Faces Judge)</i> No further questions, Your Honour. <i>(Sits)</i>
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to Witness)</i> Thank you Goldie Locks. You may leave the witness stand. Security, please take Goldie Locks back to the dock. <i>(Security and Goldie Locks stand)</i> <i>(Security takes Goldie Locks back to dock)</i>
DEFENCE	<i>(Stands and faces Judge)</i> That closes the case for the Defence, Your Honour.
JUDGE	<i>(Looks to State)</i> The State may begin its closing address.
STATE	<i>(Stands and faces Jury)</i> Members of the jury, Goldie Locks is charged with entering the place of another without their permission and committing the offence of stealing. In this case, the State says that Goldie Locks went inside the Three Bears' cottage without their permission and stole Baby Bear's porridge. You have heard evidence from both Momma Bear and Poppa Bear that neither of them said that Goldie Locks could go inside their cottage on that day. You have also heard evidence from both Momma Bear and Poppa Bear that neither of them said that Goldie Locks could eat Baby Bear's porridge. Poppa Bear and Momma Bear saw Goldie Locks running from their cottage. Senior Sergeant Snooper saw her running in the forest. Why was she running away? Why was she so frightened of Momma

STATE

Bear and Poppa Bear? The State says Goldie Locks knew she had broken the law and she didn't want to be caught.

The State says that because of the evidence that you have heard in court today, you should find Goldie Locks guilty of the charge.

(Sits)

JUDGE

(Looks to Defence) The Defence may begin its closing address.

DEFENCE

(Stands and faces Jury) Members of the jury, Goldie Locks is basically a good person. After smelling the Three Bears' porridge in the forest, Goldie Locks followed her nose to the Three Bears' cottage. When she arrived at the cottage, Goldie Locks saw the door open and knocked on the door, but nobody came to the door. After that Goldie Locks called out, but nobody answered. Goldie Locks thought the Three Bears must have been in the kitchen having breakfast, so she went inside.

Goldie Locks had been to the Three Bears' cottage many times in the past. When she entered the kitchen she thought she would be welcomed into their cottage as she had been before.

After going into the kitchen, Goldie Locks saw that nobody was there. However, the smell of the porridge was too powerful and she forgot about everything else because she was hungry.

As you have heard in court, Goldie Locks and her family had been having problems with money around this time. It was such a hard time that Goldie Locks hadn't had much to eat in the days before this happened.

Before she knew it, she had eaten all of Baby Bear's porridge. You heard Goldie Locks say that she felt bad about eating Baby Bear's porridge. She decided to stay at the cottage until the Three Bears returned so that she could tell them what happened and say sorry.

The Defence says that Baby Bear's on-going invitation to Goldie Locks to have porridge at their cottage anytime is very important.

Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, Goldie Locks knows it was wrong to eat Baby Bear's porridge and she is sorry she did that, but the Defence says that Goldie Locks had Baby Bear's permission to eat porridge at their cottage anytime.

Goldie Locks is not guilty of the charge.

(Sits)

JUDGE

(Looks to Jury) Goldie Locks has been charged that on 20 January she entered the place of another without their permission and committed the offence of stealing.

Goldie Locks is thought to be innocent of the charges. She does not have to prove anything. It is for the State to prove she is guilty of the charges.

For Goldie Locks to be found guilty, you must be satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt.

If you are **sure and have no real doubts** that Goldie Locks went into the Three Bears' cottage without their permission and ate Baby Bear's porridge you will reach a verdict of **guilty**.

If you are **not sure**, or you **have a real doubt**, that Goldie Locks entered the home of the Three Bears without permission and ate Baby Bear's porridge without permission you will reach a verdict of **not guilty**.

You must decide only on the evidence that you have heard in court.

Please leave the court to decide whether Goldie Locks is guilty or not guilty.

(Sheriff and Jurors stand)

(Sheriff leads Jurors into the jury room)

(Jurors enter the jury room)

(Sheriff closes the door to the jury room and sits outside until the jury have reached their verdict)

SHERIFF *(Leads Jurors back into the jury box)*

(Jurors and Sheriff sit)

ASSOCIATE *(Stands and faces Jury)* Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, please stand.

(Foreperson, Jurors and Sheriff's Officer stand)

ASSOCIATE Members of the jury, are you all agreed upon your verdict?

FOREPERSON Yes *(Go to page p.22)*

No *(Continue below)*

ASSOCIATE Members of the jury, has a verdict of 10 of the 12 jurors been agreed?

FOREPERSON Yes *(Go to page p.23)*

No *(Go to page p.26)*

UNANIMOUS VERDICT

ASSOCIATE How say you, is the accused guilty or not guilty of the charge?

FOREPERSON Guilty

OR

Not guilty.

ASSOCIATE Is that the verdict of you all?

FOREPERSON Yes.

(If GUILTY, turn to page p.24)

(If NOT GUILTY, turn to page p.26)

MAJORITY VERDICT

ASSOCIATE How say you, is the accused guilty or not guilty of the charge?

FOREPERSON Guilty

OR

Not guilty.

ASSOCIATE Is that the verdict of 10 out of 12 jurors?

FOREPERSON Yes.

(If GUILTY, turn to page p.24)

(If NOT GUILTY, turn to page p.25)

IF GUILTY

ASSOCIATE

Please be seated.

(Associate sits)

(Foreperson and Jurors sit)

(Sheriff's Officer sits)

JUDGE

(Looks to Jury) Thank you members of the jury.

(Looks to Dock) Please stand Goldie Locks.

(Goldie Locks stands)

(Security stands)

Goldie Locks, you have been found guilty of entering the Three Bears' cottage without their permission and stealing their porridge.

I must now sentence you and give you a penalty for your actions. The maximum penalty for this offence is imprisonment for three years and a fine of \$36,000.

After listening to the facts of the case I have decided to sentence you to a Community Based Order for 18 months. I will make programme and supervision requirements. You must report to a Community Corrections Officer within 72 hours.

If you break the conditions of the order by not doing what you are told, or if you commit another crime in the next 18 months, you will be brought back to the court to be resentenced.

Do you understand this Ms Locks?

GOLDIE LOCKS

Yes, Your Honour.

JUDGE

You may stand down.

USHER

(Stands) All stand. This court is now adjourned.

(Everyone in court stands)

(Judge bows)

(Everyone else bows)

IF NOT GUILTY

ASSOCIATE Please be seated.

(Associate sits)

(Foreperson and Jurors sit)

(Sheriff's Officer sits)

JUDGE *(Looks to Jury)* Thank you members of the jury.

(Looks to Dock) Goldie Locks, please stand.

(Goldie Locks stands)

(Security stands)

JUDGE The jury has found you not guilty of entering the Three Bears' cottage without their permission and stealing their porridge.

You are free to go.

USHER *(Stands)* All stand. This court is now adjourned.

(Everyone in court stands)

(Judge bows)

(Everyone else bows)

IF THE JURY ARE UNABLE TO REACH A VERDICT

ASSOCIATE Please be seated.

(Associate sits)

(Foreperson and Jurors sit)

(Sheriff's Officer sits)

JUDGE *(Looks to Jury)* Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, you have been unable to reach a verdict of guilty or not guilty and Goldie Locks will have to have a new trial with a different jury.

(Looks to Dock) Goldie Locks, another trial in front of a new jury will have to be scheduled.

Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, thank you for your service.

Goldie Locks, you may stand down.

USHER *(Stands)* All stand. This court is now adjourned.

(Everyone in court stands)

(Judge bows)

(Everyone else bows)

Teacher Notes

1. If Goldie Locks was aged under 18 this matter would be heard in the Children's Court of Western Australia before a Children's Court Magistrate. This matter may not even be heard by the court as Goldie Locks would be likely to be referred to the Juvenile Justice Team who would recommend a court diversion programme.
2. If Goldie Locks was aged over 18 this matter would only proceed to trial in the District Court if she pleads not guilty, there were circumstances of aggravation and/or if the value of the goods stolen were \$10,000 or more in value.
3. This matter would be dealt with by the Magistrates Court if Goldie Locks was aged over 18.
4. The maximum penalty referred to in the script reflects the maximum penalty for a Magistrates Court matter, i.e. three years and a fine of \$36,000. The maximum penalty for a District Court matter is imprisonment for up to 18 years.